

Unapproved Town of Ridgefield Water Pollution Control Authority

WPCA Regular Meeting August 24, 2017 7:00 p.m. 66 Prospect Street Ridgefield, Connecticut 06877

WPCA:Amy Siebert, Ron Hill, Kevin Briody, Rudy MarconiWPCA absent:Gary ZawackiSuez:Michael Burke, Jeff Pennell, Matt BrownAECOM:Jon Pearson

These are not verbatim minutes of the proceeding but identification of general items and specific actions undertaken.

1) New Business

a) Motion to approve minutes from July 27, 2017 by Mr. Marconi, seconded by Mr. Hill, Motion carried 3-0 (Mr. Briody was not present, arrived 7:05 p.m.).

2) Old Business

a) **Sump Pump Disconnect Letter Responses.** Discussed letter to property owners to disconnect sump pumps. The responses have been positive from property owners.

3) AECOM Report

- a) Facilities Plan Update
 - i) Phase 2 Wastewater Facilities Plan. The Draft Environmental Impact Evaluation (EIE) for the Phase 2 Wastewater Facilities Plan was published in the Environmental Monitor on Tuesday August 22nd for public comment. The publication of the EIE starts the 45 day comment period. Once the comment period is closed, the DEEP will forward any comments that are received and responses to the comment will then need to be prepared. Once the EIE process is complete, DEEP can provide any comments on the Draft Facilities Plan. CTDEEP cannot approve the Phase 2 Facilities Plan until the EIE process is completed.

b) WWTF Upgrade Design

Mr. Pearson provided an update on several items on the WWTF design, as follows:

- i) The onsite BluePRO performance verification testing effort is underway the test unit arrived last week, has been unloaded and set up, and the test process is in the shakedown/optimization phase. Testing is expected to commence either late this week or early next week and continue through the week of Labor Day, with demobilization of the test unit in the week of September 10th. AECOM has been coordinating with SUEZ on the testing.
- ii) AECOM is in process of getting subcontracts in place for wetlands delineation, survey and subsurface investigations, will advise when field work will commence.
- iii) Work is proceeding on finalizing process modeling for range of flow conditions to assess required air flows, pumping rates, and chemical feed rates
- iv) Work is also proceeding on UV evaluation of available systems/post aeration design

- c) **Quail Ridge Pump Station Relocation Design.** AECOM submitted 90% complete design documents to the Authority at the March WPCA meeting and is waiting for comments from the WPCA. Easements and wetlands permit would be the next steps towards implementation of the project. AECOM will contact Charlie Fisher to obtain review comments on the submitted documents.
- d) **Rate Consultant.** AECOM issued a request for proposals to 4 rate consultant firms. Proposals should be received in time for the next WPCA meeting. The RFP was sent to:
 - (a) Raftelis Financial Consultant
 - (b) The Abrahams Group
 - (c) Woodcock & Associates
 - (d) Municipal & Financial Services Group
- e) DEEP Call for Projects for FY18 and FY 19 Clean Water Fund Priority List. DEEP has issued a call for projects for the next Clean Water Fund Priority List. AECOM will prepare a response on behalf of the WPCA for the for Wastewater Facilities Upgrade project and the Quail Ridge PS Replacement project and submit it by the Sept. 7th deadline.
- 4) Suez Report. Suez Environmental reviewed the report for July with no major incidents.

Motion to adjourn by Mr. Briody at 7:36 p.m., seconded by Mr. Hill passing unanimously, 5-0.

Submitted by Diana Van Ness