



**Approved
Town of Ridgefield
Water Pollution Control Authority**

**WPCA Regular Meeting
May 26, 2016 7:00 p.m.
Town Hall Annex, 66 Prospect Street
Ridgefield, Connecticut 06877**

WPCA Present: Amy Siebert, Gary Zawacki, Ron Hill, Rudy Marconi, Kevin Briody
Suez: Jeff Pennell, Jason O'Brien, Jorge Pereira
Tax Collector: Jane Berendsen-Hill

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

1. New Business

- a. **Approval of Minutes from April 28, 2016 by Mr. Marconi, seconded by Mr. Hill, passing unanimously.**
- b. **Balance Sheet Review.** Discussed WPCA Balance Sheet. A meeting is scheduled with Mr. Kevin Redmond to discuss sewer rate planning and evaluation in light of the planned upgrades of the 2 wastewater treatment facilities.

2. Old Business

- a. **626 Danbury Road.** The WPCA requested the developer to submit detailed plans for review. Discussed sewer allocation.
- b. **Meetings with St. Stephen's Church and Jesse Lee Church re. roof drains.**
 - i. St. Stephen's Church. Church officials are still investigating remediation of infiltration.
 - ii. Jesse Lee Church. Ms. Van Ness, Mr. Zawacki and Suez staff dye tested the roof drains and confirmed that the gutter was connected directly into the sanitary sewer.
- c. **Delinquent Sewer Property Owners Report.** Ms. Berendsen-Hill, Tax Collector, reported on delinquent sewer property owners regarding the upcoming Tax Sale.

3. AECOM Report

- a. **Facilities Plan Update.**

i. Property Expansion for 22 South Street Upgrade.

1. AECOM will submit a draft memorandum to the Selectmen regarding the potential areas adjacent to the South Street WWTF that may be needed for the WWTF upgrade at the next meeting.

ii. Phase 1 Wastewater Facilities Plan. No review comments or questions have been received from DEEP.

1. **Phase 2 Wastewater Facilities Plan.** Work is proceeding on a number of tasks on the Phase 2 Facilities Plan as follows:
2. House to House Building inspections to locate sump pumps:

- a. House to House inspections: 212, Total Refusals: 0, Total Connected Sump Pumps: 14.
 - b. Daily inspections will continue with Ms. Van Ness. Daily location reports and weekly website updates will be ongoing.
 - c. The building inspection effort is approximately 14 percent complete. To date approximately 6 percent of the buildings inspected have a sump pump connected to the sewer. If this rate were to continue, the flow impacts in wet weather could be substantial. The Board discussed educating the public further regarding the potential impact of sump pumps on plant flow.
3. Manhole Inspections:
- a. Total completions: 234. Ms. Van Ness will work with AECOM to connect the inspection team with Suez staff to review the 47 not located. The manhole inspection effort is 42 percent complete.
4. WWTF Upgrade Alternatives:
- a. Work is continuing on the definition of alternatives to upgrade both WWTFs. AECOM is coordinating with several vendors regarding phosphorus removal systems.
 - b. Testing for hazardous materials at the WWTFs will be conducted in the near future.

ii. DEEP Clean Water Fund Draft FY16/17 Priority List. DEEP has not yet finalized the FY16/17 Clean Water Fund priority list. Potential changes to the current grant program were discussed.

b. Quail Ridge Pump Station Relocation Feasibility Study.

- 1. AECOM finalized the draft report and will forward copies of the final report to Ms. Van Ness for distribution. Work on the design effort for the pump station relocation that was authorized at last month's WPCA meeting is commencing. Initial efforts will focus on wetlands flagging, field survey, and borings, and AECOM will advise Ms. Van Ness when these efforts are scheduled so the WPCA can alert abutters such as the Quail Ridge Condominiums.

- 1. **Suez Report.** Suez Environmental reviewed the monthly report for April 2016.

Motion to adjourn by Mr. Hill at 8:00pm, seconded by Mr. Zawacki, and passing unanimously.

Submitted by Diana Van Ness