

Burrillville Sewer Commission
Regular Meeting of 04/14/2009
Board Room of the BWWTF

Members Present: Don C. Wolfe – Chairman
William Andrews – Vice Chairman
Wallace F. Auclair – Secretary

Also Present: Walter J. Kane, Attorney for the Commission
James J. Geremia, James J. Geremia & Assoc. Inc.
John Martin III, Superintendent
Steve Richtrik, Beta Group, Inc.
Larry Comtois, 1010 Douglas Pike
Peg Franklin, Office Manager
Stacey Richard, Financial Aide

Mr. Wolfe opened the meeting at 9:05 A.M.

Agenda Item – An Executive Session is requested by Walter J. Kane, Esq. pursuant to Rhode Island Open Meeting Law: 42-46-5(a)(2) to consider, discuss and act on potential litigation matters.

The Commission recessed to go into executive session.

Mr. Wolfe noted that no votes were taken during the executive session.

Agenda Item – Question of accepting the minutes of the Regular Meeting of March 10, 2009; and the question of dispensing with the reading of said minutes.

Voted – Mr. Andrews made a motion to accept the minutes of the Regular Meeting of March 10, 2009 and to dispense with the reading of said minutes. The motion was seconded by Mr. Auclair.

Public Comment: None

Correspondence:

09-09-64- Request from Mr. Comtois, 1010 Douglas Pike, to discuss his sewer connection

Discussion – Mr. Comtois stated to the Commission that he plans on selling his property with the sewer connection being completed as part of the sale agreement. Mr. Wolfe

stated that the July 1, 2009 deadline still stands for the sewer connection and that Mr. Comtois should give an update to the Commission on how the sale process is going.

Mr. Kane explained that Mr. Richtarik, who is working with DEM on the Mobil clean up in Pascoag, could address the Commission, however because he was not on the agenda a vote could not be taken. Mr. Richtarik explained that a treatment system has been installed to treat the gasoline leak but because of a new iron limit they were unable to discharge to the reservoir. Mr. Richtarik asked if they could discharge to the sanitary sewer system. Mr. Kane stated that Mr. Martin would need to know exactly what is in the discharge, the estimated flow, and a time table. Mr. Martin expressed concern with iron. Mr. Martin stated that currently the treatment facility does not have an iron limit. Mr. Wolfe asked that Mr. Richtarik be placed on next month's agenda.

09-10-70- Correspondence from Cityside Management regarding the status of the sewer connection for 15 Dion Drive, HUD is now the current owner of this property.

Voted – Mr. Andrews made a motion to receive and file. The motion was seconded by Mr. Auclair.

09-10-71- Correspondence from Thomas Carter regarding status of his sewer connection at 305 Joslin Road

Discussion – The Commission set a workshop for Tuesday, April 28, 2009 to discuss the remaining connections.

Voted – Mr. Andrews made a motion to continue Mr. Carter's letter until the Commission's May meeting. The motion was seconded by Mr. Auclair.

09-10-72- Correspondence from Florence Chamberland regarding curbing in front of her home

Discussion – Mr. Auclair stated that the curbing will be fixed as part of the current water project that is taking place in the New Village

Voted – Mr. Andrews made a motion to receive and file. The motion was seconded by Mr. Auclair.

09-10-73 – Correspondence from Nasonville Fire Dept. requesting a waiver from the requirement of a RI Registered Engineer designing the sewer connection for Fire Station

Discussion – Mr. Geremia stated that because there may be floor drains in the building a RI registered engineer should complete the sewer design.

Voted – Mr. Andrews made a motion to deny the waiver request because of the floor drains. Mr. Auclair seconded the motion.

Memo from Office Manager regarding assistive listening devices

Voted – Mr. Auclair made a motion to purchase the devices as presented. The motion was seconded by Mr. Andrews.

Presentation of the Superintendent's Budget Proposal for FY 10 – Mr. Martin presented the proposed budget for fiscal year 2010.

Voted – Mr. Andrews made a motion to set the public hearings for May 12, 2009 at 9:00 A.M. and May 26, 2009 at 7:00 P.M. The motion was seconded by Mr. Wolfe. The Commission also asked that a discussion on the budget be placed on the agenda for the workshop scheduled for April 28, 2009.

Attorney's Report:

Discuss status of proposed Amendments to Chapter 25 of the Public Laws of 1974 Burrillville Sewer Commission legislation – Mr. Kane reported that the Town Council had forwarded the legislation to legislature and it is waiting to be passed.

Request permission of the Burrillville Town Council to condemn property for the Eagle Peak pump station expansion purposes – Mr. Kane recommended to the Commission that the property be condemned.

Voted – Mr. Andrews made a motion to pass the resolution requesting the condemnation of the Eagle Peak property. The motion was seconded by Mr. Auclair.

Voted – Mr. Auclair made a motion to authorize Mr. Kane to hire an appraiser to evaluate the Eagle Peak property. The motion was seconded by Mr. Andrews.

Mr. Kane stated that he had received approval from the Commission to accept monthly payment on the Pichette case.

Voted – Mr. Andrews made a motion to accept the attorney's report. Mr. Auclair seconded the motion.

Engineer's Report:

Review/recommendation regarding awarding of Bid for Improvement to School Street ejector station – Mr. Geremia reported that five bids were received and the low bidder was Boyle & Fogarty Construction Company. Mr. Geremia recommended that the Commission award the bid to Boyle & Fogarty Construction. Mr. Kane expressed concern on the categorical exclusion. Mr. Geremia stated that he had spoken with Mr. Manning and that the Commission will be receiving the categorical exclusion and it should be advertised in the paper within the next few days.

Voted – Mr. Auclair made a motion to award the contract to Boyle & Fogarty Construction with the contingency that the categorical exclusion is given. The motion was seconded by Mr. Andrews.

Mr. Geremia suggested that the Eagle Peak station be discussed with Boyle & Fogarty. Mr. Geremia also stated that the reaffirmation will be done within the next month. Mr. Martin stated that the Commission had received the order of approval for Eagle Peak.

Discuss School Street archaeology survey and categorical exclusion – Mr. Geremia stated that the archeological study has been completed and there were no significant findings and approval should be given by the end of this week.

Discuss report of site meeting with DPW, Contractor, Boyle & Fogarty and representative from Geremia & Associates regarding road depression at 150 Joslin Road, Glendale – Mr. Geremia reported that the contractor did not feel the depression was his fault however he agreed to fix it and the road has been repaved.

Motion – Mr. Auclair made a motion to release the final retainage for Boyle & Fogarty subject to Beta signing off on it. The motion was seconded by Mr. Andrews.

Voted – Mr. Auclair made a motion to accept the engineer’s report. Mr. Andrews seconded the motion.

Superintendent’s Report:

Mr. Martin presented the Superintendent’s report for the month March.

SUPERINTENDENTS REPORT

Month of March 2009

1. OPERATIONS:

A.	<u>Influent to Treatment Facility :</u>	M.G.	<u>Date Occurred</u>
	Average daily flow	09830	N/A
	Maximum daily flow	1.2460	09-Mar
	Minimum daily flow	0.8130	27-Mar
B.	<u>Biochemical Oxygen Demand :</u>	Percent removal	Average Concentration
	E.P.A./ D.E.M. requirement	> 85.0%	< 30.0 mg/l
	Facility achieved	96.7%	6.4
C.	<u>Total Suspended Solids :</u>		
	E.P.A./ D.E.M. requirement	> 85.0%	< 30.0 mg/l
	Facility achieved	98.4%	4.1
D.	<u>Total Phosphorus :</u>		
	E.P.A./ D.E.M. requirement	N/A	< 1.00 mg/l
	Facility achieved	86.5%	.67
E.	<u>Total Ammonia :</u>		
	E.P.A./ D.E.M. requirement	N/A	< 31.5 mg/l
	Facility achieved	6.4%	24.1
F.	<u>Disposed Sludge :</u>		
	Dry Tons disposed of	31.04	
	Number of loads removed	21	
	Average dry tons/load	1.48	

2. COLLECTION SYSTEM OPERATIONS:

There were three call-in's during the month. Two at the Beach Rd. ejector station and one at the School St. ejector station. All alarm conditions were corrected and stations returned to normal operation.

Mrs. Franklin reported that one hundred and fifty preliminary tax sale notices went out to people who are more than a year in arrears and to date over \$30,000.00 has been collected.

Voted – Mr. Andrews made a motion to accept the Superintendent's report. The motion was seconded by Mr. Auclair.

Sewer Use/Assessment Write-Offs – None

Mr. Kane noted that during the executive session he suggested to the Commission to change Mr. McWilliams assessment to 125 feet of frontage and that Mr. McWilliams be notified and that this is the final assessment and any appeal runs from the date of the letter.

Voted – Mr. Auclair made a motion to change Mr. McWilliams frontage assessment to 125 feet. The motion was seconded by Mr. Andrews.

Being no further business to come before the Commission, Mr. Auclair made a motion to adjourn. The motion was seconded by Mr. Andrews.

Respectfully Submitted,

Stacey Richard
Financial Aide