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WPCA Minutes  
November 4, 2015



**FARMINGTON WATER POLLUTION CONTROL AUTHORITY  
MEETING MINUTES  
November 4, 2015**

A. **PUBLIC HEARINGS**

None

B. **REGULAR MEETING** - (Town Hall, Board of Education Conference Room)

Chairman James Foote called the meeting of the Farmington Water Pollution Control Authority to order at 7:01 p.m. on Wednesday, November 4, 2015

**Members Present:** Chairman James Foote; Vice Chairman Wilbur Charette; Secretary James Thompson; Peter Bagdigian; John McGrane

**Also Present:** Town Council Liaison, Meredith Trimble; Russell M. Arnold Jr., Director of Public Works; Joseph Swetcky, Director of Finance; Dennis Dievert, Wright Pierce Engineering; Christopher N. Pierce, Wright Pierce Engineering.

**WPCF Staff Present:** Staff Liaison, William Kaminski, WPCF Supt.; Alex Kaminski, WPCF Asst. Supt.

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### C. ACCEPTANCE OF MINUTES

Member Peter Bagdigian requested that the following correction for the October 14, 201 meeting:

1. **H. New Business** Election of Officers for the WPCA – The Authority took the following action:

The Authority made the following appointments voted as in order of motions :

**MOTION:** To appoint James Foote, Chairman of the WPCA

**MOTION:** To appoint James Thompson, Secretary of the WPCA

**MOTION:** To appoint Wilbur Charette, Vice Chairman of the WPCA

**MOTION:**

To accept the corrected minutes of the October 14, 2015 WPCA Meeting

Upon a motion duly made and seconded (Thompson / Charette), the Authority

**Voted:** To accept the corrected minutes of the October 14, 2015 WPCA Meeting

**Motion passed**

### D. ORAL PETITIONS – PUBLIC COMMENTS

None

### E. COMMUNICATIONS / REPORTS

None

- 1) Monthly Summary Operating Reports for October 2015 of the WPCF – William Kaminski, WPCF Supt. informed the Authority that operations met regulatory requirements.

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## **F. DIRECTOR OF PUBLIC WORKS/ WPCF PROJECT ENGINEER'S REPORT**

Current report dated November 2015 – Alex Kaminski, WPCF Asst. Supt. briefed the Authority on the following projects:

### **Private Sewer Construction**

1. None

### **Public Sewer Construction**

1. **Manhole Lining-** Work to seal and structurally rehabilitate the manhole added to the project has been completed. This manhole was estimated to have over 10 gallons per minute of infiltration and serious structural defects.
2. **State Project 51-260- Farmington Avenue, Garden Street to Mountain Spring Road-** Mainline sewer installation has been completed. The replacement of several sanitary sewer laterals, video inspection of the 8" sewer main, and restoration tasks remain.
3. **Coppermine Road #33-27-** The sanitary sewer mainline has been installed and approved.

### **FOG Program**

1. Staff submitted an article for the Town Newsletter to raise awareness about FOG and improper disposal of wipes and non-flushables.

### **Sewer Pump Station Construction and Repairs**

1. **Westfarms Pump Station-** The radiator for the emergency generator was replaced because of leaks and corrosion. Parts totaled approximately \$5,000 and labor was performed by WPCF staff.

### **WPCF Construction/Repairs**

1. The chlorine contact basin mixer failed and will be sent out for machine repair. WPCF staff took alternate measures to provide adequate mixing in the chamber until the end of the disinfection season.

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### **Plan Reviews/Approvals**

1. None.

**3 sewer permits were issued during October 2015**

### **G. UNFINISHED BUSINESS**

1. Petition by Chris Stergos, 10 Melrose Drive, for a bill reduction due to his sprinkler use for a period when his sprinkler meter was not functioning.

The Authority cannot justify any reimbursement for this request due to unverified data of landscape water useage. From this point forward, a verifiable landscape water meter reading must be used so that the WPCA can approve any reduction of sewer use charge.

### **H. NEW BUSINESS**

1. To Consider and Take Action on the following items concerning the funding costs for the WPCF Plant Upgrade:

#### **a. MOTION:**

That the WPCA will take the necessary steps to fund the balance of the construction contract cost (\$240,600) from the WPCA Reserve Account

Upon a motion duly made and seconded (Thompson / Bagdigian),  
the Authority

**Voted:** To use the WPCA Reserve Fund to fund the balance of the construction contract cost (\$240,600):

**Motion passed**

#### **b. MOTION:**

The WPCA will take the necessary steps to fund the current engineering services contract cost (first year of contract) (\$600,000) from the WPCA Reserve Account

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Upon a motion duly made and seconded (Thompson / Bagdigian),  
the Authority

**Voted:** To use the WPCA Reserve Fund to fund the current  
engineering services contract cost (first year of contract)  
(\$600,000):

**Motion passed**

**c. MOTION:**

A good faith effort will be made by the WPCA to fund the  
subsequent engineering contract costs and contingency/change  
orders from future appropriations. \$600,000 per year in fiscal years  
2016/2017, fy2017/2018, fy2018/2019 from yearly capital funds

Upon a motion duly made and seconded (Thompson / Bagdigian),  
the Authority

**Voted:** That a good faith effort will be made by the WPCA too use  
the WPCA Capital Fund to fund the subsequent engineering  
contract costs and contingency/change orders from future  
appropriations. \$600,000 per year in fiscal years 2016/2017,  
fy2017/2018, fy2018/2019

**Motion passed**

**d. MOTION:**

To recommend to the Town Council that they award the low bidder  
C.H. Nickerson the contract for the WPCF Upgrade

Upon a motion duly made and seconded (Thompson / Bagdigian),  
the Authority

**Voted:** That the Authority recommends to the Town Council that  
they award low bidder C.H. Nickerson the contract for the WPCF  
upgrade:

**Motion passed**

**I. EXECUTIVE SESSION**

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J. **ANY OTHER BUSINESS THAT MAY COME BEFORE THE AUTHORITY**

None

K. **ADJOURNMENT**

**MOTION:** To Adjourn the November 4, 2015 WPCA Meeting

Upon a motion duly made and seconded (Bagdigian / Thompson) the Authority voted unanimously

**Voted:** To adjourn at 8:27 p.m., Motion passed

Respectfully submitted,



William J. Kaminski, Superintendent  
Water Pollution Control Facility

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Town Council Members, e-mail  
Deb Bull, e-mail  
Tax Collector, e-mail  
Pat Gigliotti, FVHD, e-mail  
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