Call to Order – Chairman Bert Armington

The Chester Water Pollution Control Authority held its regular meeting on Tuesday, November 18, 2014, at the Chester Town Hall, 203 Middlesex Avenue, Chester, Connecticut. In attendance were Bert Armington, Jim Pease, Ed Ward and Felise Cressman. Chairman Armington called the meeting to order at 7:00 PM.

Approval of Minutes – June 24, 2014 Special meeting

Motion by Cressman, second by Ward, to approve June 24, 2014 Special Meeting Minutes as written. Unanimously Approved. Motion Carried.

Audience of Citizens – none.

Old Business

• Review of situation at Pattaconk and manhole/map update.
Chairman Armington noted at the last meeting there was discussion about the installation of the grease recovery unit at the Pattaconk Restaurant. Jacobson & Associates was asked to investigate this matter. Dave Campbell did the inspection and reports that everything is fine at the Pattaconk.

Chairman Armington noted the map is being revised due to some changes, but will take some time to be finished.

• Motion to raise salary of Restaurant Inspector.
Chairman Armington noted there had been discussion about raising the pay rate of the inspector from $25 to $30 per hour. The inspector only puts in a couple hours per month. Motion by Pease, second by Cressman, to raise the pay rate of the inspector from $25 per hour to $30 per hour. Unanimously approved. Motion Carried.

New Business

• Discussion of continuing increase of septage to Deep River
Chairman Armington noted he received a call from Pete Lewis in Deep River indicating the amount of usage has gone up. Comparing October 2013 to October 2014 it went from 311,000 to 1.7 million. Armington noted the flow meter is not reading correctly. He explained in detail how the system worked. It had been noted previously this
wasn't the appropriate device for the system. It only has a 5% accuracy range. Each month the number keeps going up. Monitoring the run time of the pumps was suggested.

Chairman Armington noted there will be an inspection of the manhole tomorrow morning. The flows for July, August, October and November were reviewed. It was felt perhaps sludge was the problem. All Authority members were urged to attend the inspection if possible.

It was noted this problem has been going on for months and someone should have caught it before now. The first thing is to investigate the problem, clean it out and see if that resolves the issue. Perhaps an average should be taken of the last 12 months to see what the difference is. It was also noted the meter can be taken out and sent to Worcester Polytech to be calibrated, but if it is grease buildup, that is a maintenance problem. It was agreed a regular cleaning schedule should be established every year.

There was discussion regarding various meters and associated cost. The Magnetic Meter is not as accurate as the Ventury Meter.

It was agreed the inspection should be done and once the results are known, this should be discussed further. No action is required at this time.

- Review of figures and plan implementation for Macerator.

Chairman Armington suggested tabling this discussion until after the above noted problem is resolved. There was a brief discussion regarding repairing the macerator vs. purchasing a new one. Pump run numbers were reviewed.

Chairman Armington noted he has heard nothing from Aaron Manor yet as to their intentions to proceed.

Felise Cressman noted she attended the recent D.O.T. meeting regarding the Main Street Bridge Replacement. It was noted during their presentation the sewer line will not be touched, but the water line will be relocated. They will also be putting in another manhole and Jacobson's office is doing the design. It was also noted they haven't applied yet to DEEP for permits and there is a 50/50 chance this will delay the project until January 2017. The D.O.T. meeting was not well attended.
It was noted letters to Main Street residents regarding hook up to the sewer line will be sent out shortly by the First Selectman. Chairman Armington noted 150 Main Street has applied to hook up.

**Next meeting**: December 16, 2014: Town Hall Conference Room C, 7:00 pm

**Adjourn**

*Motion by Ward, second by Pease, to adjourn at 7:37 PM. Unanimously approved.*

Respectfully submitted,

[Signature]

Judith R. Brown, Recording Secretary