Call to Order:
The Chester Water Pollution Control Authority held its regular meeting on Tuesday, May 16, 2017 at the Chester Town Hall, 203 Middlesex Avenue, Chester, CT. In attendance were Chairman Bert Armington, Sam Chorches, and Felise Cressman. Chairman Armington called the meeting to order at 7:06 PM.

Audience of Citizens – none

Old Business:
Minutes of the March 21, 2017 meeting were reviewed. Motion to approve those minutes by Cressman, second by Chorches; minutes were unanimously approved.

Armington reported that the pump in the pump station was replaced in April, and the wet well cleaned. Deep River personnel took the old pump to REM Industrial Solutions in Hartford to get an estimate on rebuilding it. That estimate was $5,350 compared to the price of a new pump at $7,280. Seeing as the old pump is 9 years old, the average life expectancy is five years, and there is only a difference of $1,930 between the options, Armington moved that WPCA purchase a new pump to be held as a spare. Motion seconded by Cressman, approved unanimously.

Sam Chorches briefed us on his attendance at the Freedom of Information seminar which he attended in Deep River. His summary indicated that WPCA is following required protocol.

New Business:
The figures representing expenses and income for 2016-2017 were presented for comparison to our 2016-2017 budget figures. Upon examination, we concluded that the amounts in the 2016-2017 budget could be used for the 2017-2018 budget except for a $50 increase in the amount for telephone. Depending on the fund balance we would like to reduce the EDU rate by another $50 for next year.

Motion by Chorches to adjourn, second by Cressman. Meeting adjourned at 7:42 PM.

Next meeting: June 20, 2017 budget hearing followed by our regular meeting to adopt the 2017-2018 budget.

Respectfully submitted,

Bert Armington
Chairman, Chester WPCA