Call to Order

The Chester water Pollution Control Authority held its regular meeting on Tuesday, June 21, 2016 at the Chester Town Hall, Community Room, 203 Middlesex Avenue, Chester, CT. In attendance were Chairman Bert Armington, Felise Cressman, Jim Pease, Ed Ward and Sam Chorches. Chairman Armington called the meeting to order at 7:10 PM.

Audience of Citizens – none.

Old business:

Ward moved that the minutes of the April 19, 2016 meeting be approved. Motion seconded by Chorches, approved unanimously.

Pattaconk correspondence: Armington reported that there has been no response from Mr. Senger to the original letter, nor has there been a response from Lauren Gister to the email requesting guidance in selecting a course of action. Cressman suggested that we need to take action soon, as there is a lot of activity at the Pattaconk Restaurant, and WPCA needs to resolve this issue. Motion by Cressman, seconded by Chorches that Chairman Armington meet with the first selectwoman before our next WPCA meeting. Motion passed unanimously.

New business:

Proposed budget for fiscal year 2016-2017: Armington presented the proposed budget of $110,950 for approval. Armington noted that the total figure is $1,225.00 less than last year, and the EDU rate has been reduced from $850 to $750. Motion by Ward, seconded by Cressman to approve the proposed budget. Chorches requested that Armington explain the reductions. Armington pointed out that the clerical item has been reduced because we are not using an outside source to type our minutes. General Engineering expenses were increased last year due to the Main Street project and the bridge project, both of which are completed. The telephone budget was unrealistic, so that was reduced. We are taking $11,950 from the fund balance to maintain that at a reasonable level. Deep River's O&M fee was increased due to anticipated charges for changing out one of the pumps. Motion to accept the budget approved unanimously.

Cressman pointed out that there is a new Coffee Shop in the old Century 21 building serving food and coffee. It opened on Friday, June 17th and is owned by two local people.
Armington stated that he has an appointment with the Zoning Enforcement Officer tomorrow, and will make her and the sanitarian aware of this situation.

Motion by Cressman, seconded by Pease to adjourn. Meeting adjourned at 7:26 PM.

Next meeting: July 19, 2016, Town Hall Conference Room C, 7:00.

Respectfully Submitted,

Bert Armington

Chairman, Chester WPCA