Chester Water Pollution Control Authority
Regular meeting: October 18, 2016

Call to Order

The Chester Water Pollution Control Authority held its regular meeting on Tuesday, October 18, 2016 at the Chester Town Hall, Conference Room C, 203 Middlesex Avenue, Chester, CT. In attendance were Chairman Bert Armington, Felise Cressman, Jim Pease, and Sam Chorches. Chairman Armington called the meeting to order at 7:12 PM.

Audience of Citizens – none.

Old business:

Cressman moved that the minutes of the June 21, 2016 meeting be approved. Motion seconded by Chorches, approved unanimously.

Recent and pending connections: Armington reported that there have been applications to connect from Horan at 83 Main Street, Jacobson Associates at 86 Main Street and Ellis at 109 Main Street. There was also an inquiry from Linda Bibbiani at 24 Middlesex Avenue as to whether she, who is outside the designated Sewer Service Area but has a property adjacent to the force main section of the sewer system, could request permission to connect to the sewer system. The first three applications have been signed off on by the Inland Wetlands Agency, and both 83 and 86 Main Street are completed. 109 Main Street is in the process of connection.

The 24 Middlesex Avenue property would require a check valve and a pump system because it would have to connect directly to the force main as it ascends the hill. This is feasible from an engineering standpoint, but because properties outside the designated Sewer Service area have not paid the benefit assessment, 24 Main would be required to contribute $10,000 to that fund plus the $2,000 application fee. The total would have to be paid this year. Motion by Armington, seconded by Cressman to grant connection permission for the 24 Middlesex Avenue property, pending a positive engineering report, approved unanimously.

Armington reported that the Application and Instructions to connect has been updated and revised to make the procedure clearer. The application and Sewer Service Area map are available on the Chesterct.org website.
Due to a request from CT DOT, the manhole frame and cover in front of 5 West Main Street had to be replaced before the repaving of Route 148 from West Main to Ferry Road. The cost was estimated at $1885.00 from B&L Construction. This has been completed as of this date.

Chorches reported that his participation in a September 22 round-table discussion was a positive experience and will be repeated monthly or quarterly in the future. Board chairs will meet to address problems as they arise.

Armington reported that there has been no progress on the reimbursement by Pattaconk 1850 Bar and Grille. Motion by Cressman seconded by Pease that another letter be written to the First Selectwoman requesting action addressing Pattaconk’s irresponsible attitude toward the Chester community. Motion passed unanimously without further discussion.

New business: None.

Motion by Cressman, seconded by Pease to adjourn. Meeting adjourned at 7:48 PM.

Next meeting: November 15, 2016, Town Hall Conference Room C, 7:00.

Respectfully Submitted,

Bert Armington

Chairman, Chester WPCA