Coventry Water Pollution Control Authority

Regular Meeting Minutes
July 9, 2020

MEMBERS PRESENT: Matthew Twerdy, Susan Jamaitus, Richard Brand, Daniel Murphy

STAFF PRESENT: Mike Ruef, WWTP Operator

MEMBERS ABSENT: None

1. CALL TO ORDER: Matthew Twerdy called the July 9, 2020 WPCA Regular Meeting to order at 6:00 P.M. via Zoom Online Video Conference ID 929 9013 6075.

2. AUDIENCE OF CITIZENS: None

3. NEW BUSINESS:

   a. The Minutes from the June 11, 2020 WPCA Regular Meeting were reviewed.

   MOTION 2020-7-9-1: To approve June 11, 2020 WPCA Regular Meeting Minutes.

   By: Brand        Seconded: Jamaitus

   The Motion carried with the following vote:
           For: Brand, Twerdy, Jamaitus, Murphy
           Against: None
           Abstain: None

4. OLD BUSINESS:

   a. Sewer system capacity was discussed. Flows are typical for this time of year. As always developers should come to the WPCA with sewer connection/expansion requests.

   b. The Western Route 44 Sewer Planning Area was discussed. Staff had a phone meeting with CT DEEP who laid out several steps towards project approval. Engineering consultants will be needed to complete the process.

   c. The current year budget was reviewed. The fiscal year is ending and expenditures are in line with our operating budget. We will have final budget figures after the audit.

5. WPCA STAFF REPORT:

   a. The Treatment Plant Operator Report for June 2020 was reviewed.

   i. Digestor repairs were discussed. Staff have determined how to inspect the center shaft guide bearing for signs of wear. We will hold off on major steel replacement.
Staff will work with our consulting engineers to put together a bid for blasting and coating the concrete tank walls.

ii. Boiler repairs were discussed. The boiler began leaking water 6 months after the warranty from the last major repair expired. The sections need to be split and re-gasketed before steam cuts into the sections and makes them impossible to seal. Staff will move forward with repairs.

b. The Collection System Report for June 2020 was reviewed.

6. CORRESPONDENCE/COMMUNICATION:
   a. Wet wipes are being flushed into our sewer system and are causing operation problems that require costly professional removal. A notice was sent out via the Town Manager’s Monthly update. Staff will draft a letter to be mailed to all sewer users regarding wipes.

7. ADJOURNMENT:

Matthew Twerdy adjourned the July 9, 2020 WPCA Regular Meeting at 7:15 P.M.

Respectfully submitted,

[Signature] 7/13/2020

Mike Rief, WWTP Operator

*These minutes are not official until approved by the WPCA at the next regular WPCA meeting.*