



**PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION**  
Bethel Municipal Center, 1 School Street  
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**REGULAR MEETING**

Monday, May 18, 2015

4:00 p.m.

C.J. Hurgin Municipal Center – Meeting Room “A”

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**Present:** First Selectman Knickerbocker, Selectman Paul Szatkowski, Selectman Richard Straiton, Commissioner Valenti and Commissioner Gribbin. Also in attendance were, Public Works Director Douglas Arndt, Town Attorney Martin Lawlor, Comptroller Robert Kozlowski, Utility Supervisor Kelly Curtis and Wright-Pierce Senior Project Manager Mariusz Jedrychowski, PE

**Call to Order:** First Selectman Knickerbocker called the Regular Meeting to order at 4:03 p.m. and led the Pledge of Allegiance.

**Public Input:** None.

**Correspondence:** None.

**Meeting Minutes from Regular Meeting of April 20, 2015:**

*Selectman Szatkowski made a motion, which was seconded by Selectman Straiton to approve the minutes of April 20<sup>th</sup>, 2015, as presented. Vote, All in Favor, Motion Approved.*

**Director's Report:** Director of Public Works D. Arndt reported:

- Mr. Arndt met with HRP regarding the East Swamp Well Field. They submitted a revised bid proposal to Mr. Arndt.
- Eureka Lake Water Storage Tank bid opening occurred on May 12<sup>th</sup> with two close bids.
- Mr. Arndt updated the Commission on Ricky's Court – 263 Greenwood Avenue Sewer Allocation for 7-2 bedroom units. The Commission allowed 1,060 gallons per day (gpd) and Mr. Bruno applied for 1,050 gpd. Mr. Bruno will present the PUC with a check for \$7,794 for the allocation.

**New Business:** None

**Old Business:**

- **PUC Capital Project Status Summary:** Mr. Jedrychowski distributed a handout and reported the following:
  - **Eureka Lake Water Tank:** Bid opening on May 12<sup>th</sup>, 2015. Two bids were submitted with D'Amato Construction Company of Bristol being the apparent low bidder in the amount of \$2,633.872. Associated Construction Company of Hartford bid amount was

- \$2,702.901. Wright-Pierce and D. Arndt will meet with D'Amato Construction to discuss cost reductions to try and bring bid in at 2.4 million.
- **Hoyt's Hill Water Booster Tank:** Site survey to begin in the next two to three weeks. Set to bid in early September 2015.
- **Highland/Andrews and Cindy Lane Water Main Replacement:** Mountain Orchard Road added to the project due to issues with pressure, flow and water quality. Anticipate bidding in the next two weeks.

*Selectman Straiton made a motion, which was seconded by Commission Valenti to authorize the Public Utilities Department to purchase materials needed for the water main replacement for Highland/Andrews and Cindy Lane. Vote, All in Favor, Motion Approved.*

- **South Street Water Booster Station Construction:** Demolition of existing station to occur this month after Memorial Day weekend. Verizon to supply SIM cards tomorrow. Flushing of the water main started today. Mr. Jedrychowski to communicate rectifying damage that occurred to lawn with the storing of materials on site.
  - **Demolition of Hickok Tank and "gray" pump station building:** Project is 90% designed with bidding to occur the first week of June 2015.
  - **New East Swamp Well Field:** HRP has provided a revised proposal.
  - **Maple Avenue Wells (#1 and #2):** Data and reports obtained for the wells. Drilling test wells the second week of June.
  - **Infiltration and Inflow Study:** Weston & Sampson installed flow meters. Little rain has occurred in April and May for data collection.
  - **Sewer Allocation Study Review:** Tracking down the existing agreement with the City of Danbury for the late 80's early 90's. Developing a handout and tracking system by area.
- **Transfer Station:** First Selectman Knickerbocker reported they have enough candidates for the Commission and will appoint the member tomorrow. He, also, reported an analysis of the numbers at the Transfer Station is occurring and requested the Commission's input. Discussion ensued. Selectman Straiton requested Attorney Lawlor research the process at Winter Brothers. Comptroller Kozlowski suggested a sign be installed at the road entrance after a discussion with Mike Flanagan, Transfer Station employee.

### Financial Reports:

- **Financial Report:** Comptroller Kozlowski distributed report and gave an overview.



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Item #	Vendor	Inv. Date	Inv. #	Amount	Description	Account
1	Wright-Pierce #1024	4/10/2015	98862	\$3,000.00	Professional Services Water Main Design Andrews St., Highland Ave., Cindy Lane 2/28/15 to 3/27/15	Water Department #0210160-5313

2	Wright-Pierce #1024	4/10/2015	98853	\$3,815.00	Professional Services Construction Administration South Street Pump Station Upgrade 2/28/15 to 3/27/15	Water Department #0210160-5313
3	Wright-Pierce #1024	4/10/2015	98863	\$901.72	Professional Services Demo Hickok Tank & PS Bldg. 2/28/15 to 3/27/15	Water Department #0210160-5313
4	Wright-Pierce #1024	4/10/2015	98865	\$8,700.00	Professional Services Sewer Allocation Review 2/28/15 to 3/27/15	Sewer Department #0310160-5306
5	Wright-Pierce #1024	4/10/2015	98866	\$2,740.00	Professional Services Sewer Allocation Review I & I RFQ Assistance 2/28/15 to 3/27/15	Sewer Department #0310160-5306
6	Wright-Pierce #1024	4/10/2015	98864	\$8,681.96	Professional Services Hoyts Hill PS Design Upgrade 2/28/15 to 3/27/15	Water Department #0210160-5313
7	Weston & Sampson	5/7/2015	445107	\$2,657.12	Professional Service through April 24, 2015 Infiltration & Inflow Study	Water Department #0210160-5313
8	Xenelis Construction #4622	4/3/2015		\$5,225.00	Construction South Street Pump Station - Payment #7	South Street Pump Station Water Department 0210160-5313
9	Martin Lawlor #4077	5/1/2015	15-05	\$165.00	Professional Services Sewer Project	Sewer Dept. #0310160-5352
10	Martin Lawlor #4077	5/1/2015	15-05	\$1,100.00	Professional Services Sewer Invoice	Sewer Dept. #0310160-5352
11	Martin Lawlor #4077	5/1/2015	15-05	\$363.00	Professional Services Water Invoice	Water Dept #0210160-5352
<b>TOTAL</b>				<b>\$37,348.80</b>		

*First Selectman Knickerbocker made a motion, which was seconded by Selectman Szatkowski, to approve the invoices, dated May 18, 2015, in the amount of \$37,348.80.*

**Engineering / Utility Consultant Report:**

- **Supervisor's Report:** Mr. Curtis distributed a hand out of the Stony Hill Sewer Tie-Ins, as of April 21, 2015. He reported on two service leaks. One on Farnam Hill which was repaired last week and another on Grand Street which will be repaired next week. Flushing of the water main started today at Chestnut Ridge. He updated the Commission on the alarm communication upgrade which should be up and running within two weeks. Discussion ensued.

Selectman Straiton requested a quote on a tank and two pumps for the Police Station.

Commission Valenti informed the Commission of a home on Reservoir Street changing from a one family to a two family and the need for separate sewer and water for each unit.

**Adjourn:** *As there was no further business on the agenda, Commissioner Valenti made a motion, which was seconded by First Selectman Knickerbocker, to adjourn the meeting at 5:35 p.m. Vote: All in Favor, Motion Unanimously Approved.*

*Respectfully submitted,*



*Kathy Galbis, Recording Secretary*