



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

Monday, October 19, 2015

4:00 p.m.

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

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TOWN CLERK

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

**Absent:** Commissioner Gribbin

**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 October 5, 2015:**

*Selectman Szatkowski made a motion, which was seconded by Selectman Straiton, to approve the minutes of October 5, 2015, as presented. Vote, Motion Approved.*

**Director's Report:** Director of Public Works D. Arndt reported work continuing on multiple projects and the projects are on schedule.

**New Business:**

• **Weston & Sampson Inflow & Infiltration Study Update:**

Robert Tedeschi, Team Leader, and Anthony DeSimone, Project Manager, distributed a handout to the Commission on the Sanitary Sewer System and gave a study update, including

- Flow meters were installed in April 2015 which collected 12 weeks of good dry weather data and a couple of storms in June and July.
- Areas of Inflow & Infiltration were identified: Area 5 in Stony Hill and areas 9, 12, 14 & 15 in downtown Bethel.
- Next step will be sewer mapping into a GIS system.
- Reviewed a timeline board of the project.
- If the upcoming fall is wet, Weston & Sampson can mobilize quickly to review 300 manholes.

- Director Arndt reported the Town has a signed contract with Weston & Sampson.
- **I & I Grant Reimbursement: Resolution to approve CTDEEP Clean Water Fund Application:**
  - Director Arndt reported the CTDEEP needs a resolution before the Town can apply for a grant.

*First Selectman Knickerbocker made a motion, which was seconded by Selectman Straiton, for the Public Utilities Commission to request the Board of Selectman authorize a Clean Water Fund Application to the CTDEEP to apply for a grant in the amount of \$173,996.44. Vote, Motion Approved.*

- **Eureka Lake Owner Representative:**
  - Director Arndt requested the Commission approve his selection of the Eureka Lake Owner Representative who would operate as a third party in the Town's best interest on the Eureka Lake Water Tank project. Discussion ensued.

*First Selectman Knickerbocker made a motion, which was seconded by Selectman Szatkowski, to table further discussion pending Town Attorney Lawlor's review of contract. Vote, Motion Approved.*

- **Approval to bid Maple Avenue Well Construction:**
  - Mr. Jedrychowski indicated he would cover this in his Capital Project Status Summary.

#### **Old Business:**

- **PUC Capital Project Status Summary:** Mr. Jedrychowski distributed a handout and reported the following:
  1. **Eureka Lake Water Tank:** Trees cleared at project site and in process of relocating existing water main.
  2. **Hoyt's Hill Water Booster Tank:** Planning & Zoning Public Hearing scheduled for October 20, 2015.
  3. **Highland/Andrews, Cindy Lane and Mountain Orchard Road Water Main Replacement:** Highland Avenue is complete. Installing water services on Andrews Street. Water main installed and tested on Cindy Lane. Work begun on Mountain Orchard Road.
  4. **New East Swamp Well Field:** Met with the Department of Health (DPH) on October 15, 2015. Reviewing options to explore additional areas.
  5. **Maple Avenue Wells (#1 and #2) – Reconditioning Report:** Met with the Department of Health on October 15, 2015. Received well site approval. Provided Director Arndt with proposal to create bid documents.
  6. **Sewer Allocation Study Review:** A draft of the proposed changes was provided to the PUC on September 21, 2015 and is under review.
  7. **CT DPH Sanitary Survey Violations:** Met with the contractor and waiting for estimate.

#### **Financial Reports:**

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

- **Invoices:**



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| Item # | Vendor                 | Inv. Date | Inv. #   | Amount      | % Complete | Description   | Account                           |
|--------|------------------------|-----------|----------|-------------|------------|---|-----------------------------------|
| 1      | D'Amato Construction   | 9/30/2015 |          | \$45,481.25 |            | Professional Services<br>Eureka Lake Storage Tank<br>6/27/15 to 7/31/15 | Water Department<br>#0210160-5313 |
| 2      | Martin Lawlor<br>#4077 | 10/1/2015 | 15-09-10 | \$77.00     |            | Professional Services<br>Sewer Project                                  | Sewer Dept.<br>#0310160-5352      |
| 3      | Martin Lawlor<br>#4077 | 10/1/2015 | 15-10    | \$1,100.00  |            | Professional Services<br>Sewer Invoice                                  | Sewer Dept.<br>#0310160-5352      |
| 4      | Martin Lawlor<br>#4077 | 10/1/2015 | 15-10    | \$506.00    |            | Professional Services<br>Water Invoice                                  | Water Dept<br>#0210160-5352       |
| 5      | Rick Neller            | 9/14/2015 | 3        | \$1,430.00  |            | Review of Bid Specs. on Eureka Lake<br>Water Storage Tank               | Water Department<br>#0210160-5354 |



*First Selectman Knickerbocker made a motion, which was seconded by Selectman Straiton, to approve the invoices, dated October 19, 2015, in the amount of \$48,594.25. Vote, All in Favor, Motion Approved.*

**Engineering / Utility Consultant Report:** Mr. Curtis reported the following:

- A sewer connection issue at 4 Hawleyville Road. The Health Department states the lateral is within 25' of well head and therefore the connection cannot be made. Resident is being assessed but is unable to connect. Mr. Curtis contacted the installer, Elmer Lewis, and is waiting for follow-up. Mr. Curtis will bring Director Arndt on-site to review and make recommendations on how to proceed to the Commission.
- Mr. Curtis distributed handouts on water usage for Chestnut Ridge and Maple Avenue.
- Gave an update on Mountain Orchard and Cindy Lane changes.

Selectman Szatkowski inquired about the Eureka Boiler. Director Arndt reported Ameresco is looking into propane as a fuel source and will get a recommendation this week.

Attorney Lawlor reviewed the Adams Drive agreement. The Town needs to contact tree installer regarding warranty.

**Adjourn:** *As there was no further business on the agenda, First Selectman Knickerbocker made a motion, which was seconded by Selectman Straiton, to adjourn the meeting at 5:33 p.m. Vote: All in Favor, Motion Unanimously Approved.*

*Respectfully submitted,*

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to be 'KJG', with a long horizontal flourish extending to the right.

*Kathy Galbis, Recording Secretary*