



PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION

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MINUTES OF REGULAR MEETING

Monday, December 3, 2007
4:00 p.m.

TOWN OF BETHEL
TOWN CLERK

Bethel Municipal Center – Meeting Room “A”

PRESENT: First Selectman Burke, Selectman Szatkowski, Michael Gribbin and Peter Valenti. Also attending was William Hagan, Town Attorney, Len Assard, Consultant from Heitkamp, Andrew Morosky, Town Engineer, Kelly Curtis – Utilities Supervisor and Ken Kemp from URS.

Call to Order: First Selectman Burke called the Regular Meeting to order at 4:04 p.m

Public Input: none

Correspondence:

- **7 McNeil Road Sewer Hook-Up Proposal** – Discussion took place regarding the request from homeowners to relocate their lateral. Town Engineer Andrew Morosky reported that he has advised the homeowners that their request was denied based on past practice established by the Public Utilities Commission and the expense to the project that would result in the redesigning the project to meet their request.

Minutes:

- **Meeting Minutes from October 1, 2007 Regular Meeting:** Selectman Szatkowski made a motion, which was seconded by First Selectman Burke, to approve the minutes as presented. Vote, all in favor, motion unanimously approved. Commissioner Gribbin abstained from voting as he was not present at the meeting.
- **Meeting Minutes from October 15, 2007 Special Meeting:** Selectman Szatkowski made a motion, which was seconded by Commissioner Gribbin, to approve the minutes as presented. Vote, all in favor, motion unanimously approved.
- **Meeting Minutes from October 30, 2007 Special Meetings:** Selectman Szatkowski made a motion, which was seconded by First Selectman Burke, to approve the minutes as presented. Vote, all in favor, motion unanimously approved.

Old Business:

- **Apollo Road – GNC Chelsea Development:** First Selectman Burke made a motion, which was seconded by Commissioner Gribbin, to accept the report dated November 1,

2007 from Heitkamp and the conditions set forth in the Memorandum for this project. Vote, all in favor, motion unanimously approved.

- **Proposed Sewer Regulations:** Attorney Sienkiewicz continues to work on the sewer regulations.
- **Interlocal Agreement with City of Danbury:** Discussions continue.
- **24 Putnam Park Road – Easement Opportunity:** Town Engineer Andrew Morosky continues to explore the possibility of this easement.

Financial Report:

- **Water Rates:** First Selectman Burke made a motion, which was seconded by Selectman Szatkowski, that the Public Utilities Commission recommends that the Board of Selectmen set a Public Hearing to hear comments on increasing the water rates as recommended by Woodcock & Associates, a copy of which is attached hereto, and further that the Board of Selectmen, after the Public Hearing, increase these rates for any bills rendered after January 1, 2008. Vote, all in favor, motion unanimously approved.

Sewer Rates: First Selectman Burke made a motion, which was seconded by Selectman Szatkowski, that the Public Utilities Commission hold a Public Hearing on the proposed amendments to the schedule of sewer charges on Wednesday, December 19, 2007 at 7:30 p.m. in the CJH Municipal Center. Vote, all in favor, motion unanimously approved.

- **Water and Sewer Financial Status:** Reports so noted.

Engineering / Utility Consultant Report:

- **Grants:** Town Engineer Andrew Morosky reported that the Bethpage Project is complete. It is anticipated that the Water Storage Tank is to be on the agenda this month with the State Bonding Commission.
- **Stony Hill Sewer Project:** Work progresses until the winter shutdown.
- **Easements for Phase 2 and 3:** Attorney Hagan continues to obtain the necessary easements for Phase 2 and 3 of the Stony Hill Sewer Project.

New Business:

First Selectman Burke made a motion, which was seconded by Selectman Szatkowski, to add to the agenda, under New Business, Item # 1 – Appraisal for 38 Payne Road. Vote, all in favor, motion unanimously approved.

Appraisal - 38 Payne Road: First Selectman Burke made a motion, which was seconded by Selectman Szatkowski, to accept the appraisal and to authorize the First Selectman to

pursue a purchase agreement with the Eva Bigelow estate. Vote, all in favor, motion unanimously approved.

Discussions with the City of Danbury continue. URS will prepare a revised cost analysis for the Pump Station, using the new appraisal amount.

- **80 South Street:** In accord with the Memorandum dated October 30, 2007 from Heitkamp, First Selectman Burke made a motion, which was seconded by Selectman Szatkowski, to advise the Planning & Zoning Commission that municipal water and sewer is available to the site. Vote, all in favor, motion unanimously approved. Commissioner Gribbin. Mr. Assard's Memorandum will be forwarded to Planning & Zoning.
- **2008 Public Utilities Commission Regular Meeting Calendar** – Selectman Szatkowski made a motion, which was seconded by Commissioner Gribbin, to establish the Public Utilities Commission Regular Meeting schedule as follows:

Monday, January 7, 2008

Monday, March 3, 2008

Monday, May 5, 2008

Monday, July 7, 2008

Monday, September 8, 2008

Monday, November 3, 2008

Monday, February 4, 2008

Monday, April 7, 2008

Monday, June 2, 2008

Monday, August 4, 2008

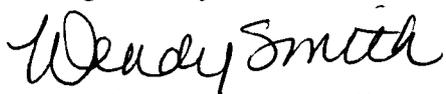
Monday, October 6, 2008

Monday, December 1, 2008

Vote, all in favor, motion unanimously approved. All meetings will be held in the CJH Municipal Center at 4:00 p.m.

Adjourn: As there was no further business on today's agenda, First Selectman Burke made a motion, which was seconded by Selectman Szatkowski, to adjourn the meeting at 5:25 p.m. Vote, all in favor, motion unanimously approved.

Respectfully submitted,



Wendy Smith, Recording Secretary