

**TOWN OF EAST HADDAM
WATER POLLUTION CONTROL AUTHORITY
June 9, 2010**

**Special Meeting Minutes
(Not yet approved by the Authority)**

1. CALL TO ORDER: Chairman Andrew Lord called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. at the River House.

2. ATTENDANCE:

PRESENT: Andrew Lord, Richard Fiala, Fred Myers, John Russell, John Koskovich,

ABSENT: Arthur Merrow

OTHERS PRESENT: James Ventres, Grant Weaver, Judy Stark, Ed Blaschik

3. DISCUSSION

A) Renewal of Water Planet Company Contract

The Authority discussed the proposed contract with the Water Planet Company. The contract would run for three years beginning July 1, 2010. Mr. Lord noted that other than the final wording the contract was discussed at the last meeting.

Mr. Weaver noted that the cost was the same as the last contract except the maintenance budget was \$20,000 instead of \$10,000.

A motion was made by Mr. Myers to approve the contract. Seconded by Mr. Russell and carried by unanimous vote.

B) Capital Improvements – short and long term

C) WPCA budget

Mr. Ventres stated that he was still working on the long term cost and would be ready at the next meeting. The Committee tabled the item.

4. MINUTES

The Authority reviewed the meeting minutes from the March 2, 2010 meeting.

A motion was made by Mr. Fiala to approve the meeting minutes as written. Seconded by Mr. Koskovich and carried by unanimous vote.

The Authority reviewed Water Planet Company Report #102 dated June 9, 2010 and discussed the additional pump failures. Mr. Koskovich requested that Water Resource Technologies provide a report as to why they felt that the pumps had failed. The Water Planet Company report noted approximately 14 failures per year and that these failures may be just due to age. It was also noted that even after thirteen years, the collection system still had electrical installation issues that are causing occasional failures.

Mr. Weaver asked if there was a method in which the WPCA could implement a self audit of the maintenance costs. Several options were discussed. Mr. Ventres recommended a duplicate set of the billing be brought to his office with the monthly report and the finance office could create an independent review and file. All agreed that this would be a suitable arrangement.

Mr. Weaver asked if it would be possible to receive a letter of recommendation. He explained that the Water Planet Company is one of the bidders for a new treatment plant with a sequencing batch systems in New Hartford.

A motion was made by Mr. Myers to write a letter of recommendation for the Water Planet Company. Seconded by Mr. Koskovich. Mr. Lord abstained from the vote. Motion carried.

5. ADJOURNMENT

A motion was made by Mr. Fiala to adjourn at 8:00 p.m. Seconded by Mr. Russell and carried by unanimous vote.

Respectfully submitted,

Holly Pattavina

