

WPCA BOARD OF DIRECTORS  
MEETING Minutes for September 20, 2022

**ATTENDANCE**           Clement Young, WPCA Board of Directors – Chairman, John Klein, Osiba A. Nelson, Nina Thomas, Craig Nadrizny, Director -Public Facilities, Kenneth Flatto, City Finance Director, Jon Urquidi, City Engineer, Stephen Walker, Finance Director, WPCA, Lauren Mappa, P.E. General Manager, WPCA

**OTHERS:**               Rick Lavoie, Inframark, Andre’s Cell, Ernest Newton, City Council – Liaison, Mark Anastasi, City Attorney, Lee Hoffman, Pullman & Comley, PtPPartners Evelyn, Vanessa Liles, Tamsyn, Kevin Dahl, Lisa Obermeyer, Zenida Nelsa, Jeff Olszewski – Stantec Jan Wilson, , Rich Pettinelli – WSP, Tim O’Connor RPs/PCCI, Dr, Shante Hanks, Seila Mosquera-Bruno, Hermia Delaire, CT Department of Housing, Gary DeBlois, Scott Burns, WSP, Rob Yirigian

**Absent:**                 Russell Liskov, City Attorney

**CALL TO ORDER**

Chairmen Young opened the meeting at 4:04 pm. A quorum was present.

**PUBLIC COMMENT**

None

**Old Business:**

Minutes of the July 19, 2022, SEE CORRECTIONS  
Minutes of the September 20, 2022

- A) Composting Tim O’Connor – Park City Composting Initiative presented Proposed Composting Project has requested permission to use property that the WPCA will be using when West Side plant is upgraded. The Board voted to approve this request. **Motion: Comm Klein made a motion to approve Composting to use this site until We need it for upgrade Comm Nadrizny seconded Comm. Flatto Abstained – due to lateness to the presentation**
  
- B) Resilient Bridgeport Presentation by CT Department of Housing - Seila Mosquera-Bruno, Shante Hanks, & WSP Engineering Consultants presented the Bridgeport Resilient Plan (RBD). This is a 100-year storm water management plan that includes a stormwater pump station that they requested the WPCA assume ownership, maintenance, and operations. City Atty. Anastasi stated this would be a huge liability for the WPCA if it fails. The CT Department of Housing countered that if the WPCA doesn’t take ownership the project doesn’t happen. – The Board of directors decided to hold a special meeting citing more information needed before they could make a vote. Comm. Klein made a motion not to vote at this time Comm Flatto suggested we do a special meeting in a week or 2 with Tom

Gill from OPED at the table to special mtg next Tuesday at 4 pm by comm Thomas 2<sup>nd</sup> by Comm Flatto

- C) RFQ/RFP Third-Party Operator Attorney's Hoffman and Anastasi presented to the Board that the 3<sup>rd</sup> party operator Bid would go out as a RFP/RFQ process. The Board members will receive copies of the RFQ when it is issued to the public. Commissioner Thomas asked about the selection committee. Mark Anastasi told the Board that no Board members will be on the selection committee since they ultimately vote on the new vendor. He also reminded the Board about the competitive bid process and members keeping that in mind during this process and not speaking with vendors or anyone else about the bid. Jon Urquidi (non-voting member) will be on the selection committee due to his background. Commissioner Flatto asked about retaining an expert for this process and Attorney Hoffman responded that the General Manager had already contacted one that the City Attorney's Office will retain.
  
- D) General Manager Report – gm reported EPA had finalized inspection and a new report must be submitted monthly about SSDS for the next year. Commissioner Klein asked about an SSO he read about in the paper. This was a washout that occurred during a heavy rain event where a pipe to a former permitted CSO that was blocked had a spill. Inframark temporarily took care of that the day the WPCA was informed about the discharge and permanently replaced the block wall in the pipe on September 16, 2022
  
- E) Financial Report - 2months into the fiscal year everything is looking relatively well. Revenue up by 27 thousand for this month - Under 62 thousand year to date. Overall revenue down by \$399 biggest, billing going out this quarter. Cash was over by 67 thousand & Year to date over 183 thousand. Past due amounts are down 2.7 mill never down this low. This is good for WPCA it means people are paying their bill on time. We haven't heard from Auditors yet, but we are working on 1 more thing and when they call, I will be ready to give any documentation they need.
  
- F) Inframark Report –as mentioned we have had a very good last 2 months Nitrogen has been within its target numbers within the last 4 months. No issues on the E.S. plant. Dry weather for a few months until this month. W.S. bounced back pretty quickly from wet event. Replaced blower on W.S. discussion regarding the gates being opened – Comm Thomas to get Rick Lavoie dates.

Motion: Motion to adjourn the meeting by Comm. Flatto and seconded by Comm. Klein