East Haddam Water Pollution Control Authority
Municipal Office Complex

Regular Meeting Minutes
March 15, 2021

1. CALL TO ORDER

Chairman Lord called the meeting to order at 7:02 pm.

A motion was made by Mr. Blaschik to add "minutes review" to the Section 3 (discussion) portion of the agenda. The motion was seconded by Mr. Casner and unanimously approved.

2. ATTENDANCE

Members Present: Edward Blaschik, Richard Fiala, Chairman Andrew Lord, Richard Pettinelli, and Bob Casner
Members Absent: John Russell
Other Present: James Ventres, and Zach Dutton

3. DISCUSSION

a. Minutes Review

A motion was made by Mr. Fiala to accept the minutes as presented. The motion was seconded by Mr. Blaschik and unanimously approved.

b. Clean Water Ops Report –

Mr. Ventres received a call that there was an odor down in East Haddam Village, and had Mr. Dutton check the flow numbers. The flow numbers were not what they were expected, so it was clear there was an issue. Upon closer review, the line from LaVita coming across the road had a problem. About 15 years ago, when the State was doing some maintenance, they inadvertently cut the line. While that issue had been fixed, there is now an issue in the same area as that original repair. Mr. Ventres worked with the State DOT to get diagrams and they were involved in the issue repair. The issue has now been fixed; Mr. Ventres has checked the area several times and confirmed there no other further issue. Mr. Ventres recorded on file what the piping and the lines look like for future reference. Mr. Dutton noted the reporting to DEEP has been provided, and there were no issues to note.

The February and March Clean Water Ops bills and reports were reviewed with no issues or questions.

Mr. Dutton noted there are no issues to discuss, there's good effluent quality. He is working with FR Mahony to understand when new grinder pumps are installed so that he can keep the records updated.

Mr. Blaschik asked Mr. Dutton if the effluent can be tested for COVID. Mr. Dutton noted that they do not, but had checked at the start of the pandemic for labs that tested for COVID. At the time, no labs were equipped to test for COVID.

Mr. Ventres outlined to the WPCA members there has been an inquiry from 4 property owners up Landing Hill Road regarding extending the existing sewer lines. These properties were in the original sewer project but were not ultimately in the project. Mr. Ventres will provide more information at a future meeting.

c. Banner Estates Emergency Fund Payment –

Mr. Ventres noted that Banner Homeowners Association is sending checks like requested. The Town has received two checks on time thus far.

4. ADJOURNMENT

A motion was made by Mr. Blaschik to adjourn the meeting at 7:35 pm. The motion was seconded by Mr. Fiala and unanimously approved.

Respectfully submitted,
Shannon A. Goyette
Recording Secretary