

WATER POLLUTION CONTROL AUTHORITY  
**Town of Trumbull**  
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**MAY 25, 2022**  
**MINUTES**

**Call to Order:** The Chair called the meeting to order at 7:03 p.m.

**Roll Call:** The clerk called the roll and recorded it as follows:

**Present:** Chairman Jon Greene, Vice-Chairman Andrew Palo, Secretary Frank Regnery  
Bruce Elstein, Tom Kelly, Richard Boggs, Alternate

**Also**

**Present:** WPCA Administrator/Town Engineer William C. Maurer and Town Attorney  
James Nugent, Fred Mascia of Tighe & Bond and Christine Kurtz of Wright Pierce

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**Approval of Minutes:** Moved by Elstein, seconded by Regnery to approve the April 27, 2022 meeting minutes as submitted. VOTE: Motion CARRIED 5-0-1 (ABSTENTION: Boggs)

By unanimous consensus of the commission the WPCA will continue to meet via Zoom/teleconference for at least the remainder of the year's scheduled meetings.

**New Business:**

- **Final Kovacs Change-Order #5-Beardsley Pump Station:** Moved by Palo, seconded by Regnery to approve the Final Kovacs change-order #5 for the Beardsley Pump Station dated 05/18/2022 in the amount of \$2,153.67.

The change order is for alternative work necessary to rectify some problems, which was minor considering it is a \$5 million project. This is the last change order. There has been retainage for over a year and will be getting ready to release the retainage. It was confirmed there are funds in the existing account for this project.

VOTE: Motion CARRIED by unanimous consent.

- **Bridgeport WPCA FY2022-2023 Proposed Budget:** This will be discussed in executive session. The proposed Bridgeport FY2023 rate is \$6.527 and Trumbull receives a 2% discount.

Moved by Kelly, seconded by Regnery to take Old Business out of order. VOTE: Motion CARRIED by unanimous consent.

Old Business:

- FY2022-2023 Budget Update-Town Council: Mr. Maurer reported the budget has been passed with no changes. The FY 2022-2023 budget was adopted by the Town Council as originally planned.
- Collapsed Pipe at Main Street: Mr. Maurer reported there is a proposal from a contractor to reline a portion of the pipe. Granite Inliner has proposed to line the pipe from the manhole where the force-main discharges to the first manhole on Ridgeview, which is approximately 994 feet, for the amount of \$168,000. The proposal includes the bypassing of the station and bypass pumping. It will be done at night to alleviate traffic problems. WPCA approval is needed to secure the funds. WPCA does have the funds available.

This vendor was on the pipelining on-call bid and was also part of a consortium that can now be used for pricing. The contractor can mobilize and start in mid-June. They will video and flush the line. Because they couldn't get 21" pipe for the repair, they put an 18" pipe into it, the liner will have to be a special liner made with an 18" pipe sewn into a 21" pipe and then cured in place. The life expectancy is that of a PVC pipe, longer than concrete. They have video'd other sections that are comparable, these sections are not as bad but still need to be assessed. Concrete pipe is always subject to hydrogen sulfide. Pipes are always more shallow pitched at the beginning of the line, the pumps start and stop and leave more sediment. This will go to Ridgeview and back to the intersection of Main and Clemens where the force-main dumps into. It was confirmed the sizing from 21" to 18" is fine for this area of the pipe.

The Commission discussed that the Town Charter requires going out to bid at this cost of a project. It was confirmed the new Purchasing Policy allows for the use of consortiums and that Mr. Maurer had already confirmed with the Town's purchasing agent he could proceed. It was confirmed the consortium was competitively bid, this bid price is by unit cost. This vendor is currently our on-call list for drainage lining, but the on-call bid does not have the component of this size pipe with the bypass pumping. The vendor did win the bid for a consortium which is much like the state bid process. This particular project/repair proposal falls under the consortium not the on-call bid.

It was confirmed where the pipe broke is where the force-main dumps into the gravity line at Clemens and Main Street. The force-main is a ductile iron pipe that dumps into a 21" concrete pipe that has since been replaced with 20' of plastic pipe.

Moved by Elstein, seconded by Regnery to approve the Granite Inliner proposal to reline the sanitary sewer pipe on Main Street from Clemens Avenue to Ridgeview Avenue in the amount of not to exceed \$170,000 from account 20100000-581888 Capital Outlay.  
VOTE: Motion CARRIED by unanimous consent.

Moved by Regnery, seconded by Kelly to take Old Town and Reservoir Avenue Pump Stations Update out of order. VOTE: Motion CARRIED by unanimous consent.

Moved by Palo, seconded by Elstein to ENTER into Executive Session at 7:29 p.m. based on CGS 1-210b-7 for engineering or feasibility estimates related to Contract 5, bids on the Beardsley Force Main Update and the Bridgeport WPCA Proposed Budget for the next fiscal year. VOTE: Motion CARRIED by unanimous consent.

The WPCA ENTERED into Executive Session with the following people present: WPCA commissioners Chairman Jon Greene, Vice-Chairman Andrew Palo, Secretary Frank Regnery, Bruce Elstein, Tom Kelly, Richard Boggs, Alternate, WPCA Administrator/Town Engineer William C. Maurer and Town Attorney James Nugent, Fred Mascia of Tighe & Bond and Christine Kurtz of Wright Pierce.

Moved by Elstein, seconded by Regnery to END Executive Session at 8:38 p.m. VOTE: Motion CARRIED by unanimous consent. No motions and/or votes were taken in Executive Session.

The Chair noted the second lowest bidder will be awarded the Beardsley Force-Main project due to the commission's history with the lowest bidder having difficulty meeting deadlines specified in the bid package and the time sensitive nature of this particular project coupled with the fact it is being done on state property in a busy public park. The commission has greater confidence that the second lowest bidder will in fact be able to deliver given these constraints. The second lowest bidder has a lead time of 36 weeks lower than the lowest bidder for materials. Mr. Maurer noted the lead time was very important in order to get the project done and was an important factor in choosing between the two bidders. The Chair added there's a high risk of additional problems if we don't get this done fast. It's a high priority project in a busy public area that's being used extensively and is not under our control.

Moved by Palo, seconded by Elstein to award the Beardsley force-main project to Burns Construction in an amount not to exceed \$1,137,888 from account 20100000-581888 Capital Outlay. VOTE: Motion CARRIED by unanimous consent.

Adjournment: There being no further business to discuss and upon motion made by Elstein, seconded by Regnery the Trumbull Water Pollution Control Authority adjourned by unanimous consent at 8:47 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,

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Margaret D. Mastroni, Clerk