

**WPCA Meeting
March 14, 2024
Old Lyme Library
2 Library Lane
Old Lyme, CT
7:00 PM
DRAFT MINUTES**

Type of meeting: Regular

Secretary: Joan Lanzo

Attendees: Will Szestakow, Norm Church, Angelo Chrysoulakis, Bud Phelps, Andrew Stifel, Helen Francis

Remote: Bill Griffin

Absent: Dick Hrinak

Will Szestakow called the meeting to order at 7:01 pm.

Approve Agenda:

Bud made a motion to approve the agenda as presented, and Andrew seconded. All were in favor and the motion carried.

Secretary's Report:

Angelo made a motion to accept the minutes from the November 9, 2023 regular meeting and Andrew seconded. All were in favor and the motion carried.

Treasurer's Report:

Helen said the actual numbers were running close to budget. She reported actual income of \$243,878.29 which was slightly over budget by \$346.79.

She also said that there are currently two residents with past due user fees and two with past due lien payments. She reported that an agreed payment plan has been established with one past due lien payment, and she is currently working with the other past due accounts.

Bud made a motion to approve the Treasurer's Report and Angelo seconded. All were in favor and the motion carried.

Bioxide Report:

Andrew stated that there has been large bioxide consumption. Will added that rainstorms during December and January have increased the daily bioxide consumption dramatically. He also said that it is believed that water is coming into the boat basin from nearby homes.

Andrew reported that \$4,200.00 is currently remaining in the bioxide budget.

Pump Report:

Angelo said that our flow volume has dramatically increased this winter. He stated that the our Sewer pipes into Rt 156 were cleaned before the winter. This increased our GPM, past month our GPM have decreased between 150-180. Angelo reported with the current flow, we will clean the sewer line into RT 156 in late spring.

Rte 156 Updates:

Bill stated he had no significant reports related to the Rte 156 project.

Legal Review:

Will reported on a meeting held with the Chairman of the Old Lyme WPCA and Beach Associations, who had provided a letter outlining a plan proposing Point O' Woods WPCA allow the Association to run their new line parallel to those of POW. Norm said that since the letter is very vague and general in its description of work, he did not recommend entering into any agreements. He stated that if further communications are more specific and clearer in scope of work and contingencies, proposed plans could be considered. He stated at this time there is not enough information to form a decision.

Chairman's Report:

Will stated that the contract with Evoqua will end at the end of March and he has received new quotes on materials costs from them. He reported that there will be a 20% increase in the cost of bioxide in addition to a significant increase cost of the H2S monitor. He also said that the East Lyme Sewer Usage budget line item will need to be increased in the 2024-25 budget.

Will stated that the contract with Williams is set to expire on July 31 and is working to get new costs for the proposed budget.

Will also reported that 2 candidates have come forward to serve on the WPCA board to fill expected vacancies this June. Will said he will be present the candidate information to the POW Board of Governors in March.

Will said that Rick Frascarelli, (Part Time Maintainer) was presented with a new pay structure and job description, he is still currently reviewing the information.

Preliminary Budget Review:

Will and Helen reviewed the current proposed budget information with the Board and Will asked the BOG to review the budget before the April meeting so it can be finalized at that time.

Bud made a motion to adjourn the meeting and Andrew seconded. All were in favor and the motion carried.

The meeting adjourned at 8:20 PM.