



# **Redding Water Pollution Control – Meeting Minutes**

## **Date: January 3, 2001**

### **Town of Redding, Connecticut**

Present: J. Campbell, D. Pattee, R. Regan, N. Ketcham, G. Konow. H. Karraker, M. Nostin

Also present: Don Priest of Meadow Ridge, June Succow of OMI, Tax Collector Pat Moio, and one resident

Mr. Campbell called the January 3, 2001 meeting of the WPCC meeting to order at 7:30 p.m. in the Hearing Room of the Redding Town Office Building.

#### **APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

Motion: That the Water Pollution Control Commission accept the minutes of the December 6, 2000 meeting as submitted. Ketcham, Karraker. Approved. Unanimous.

#### **OMI REPORT**

Ms. Succow submitted a monthly report for November and December 2000. The operation switched over to the new plant on December 26, 2000 and the switch has been successful. The first discharge from the new system occurred today. The new discharge meter is being worked on at this time. The discharge meter in the UV tank is totalizing the flow.

A layer of grease was discovered in the pump station. Town Sanitarian, Doug Hartline, was notified and he is following up on the source of the excessive grease. He has asked one restaurant to increase their grease trap clean out to every six weeks rather than every eight weeks. Commission members felt the clean up should be done every four weeks. Another restaurant is on the monthly clean out schedule and has had no problems. Mr. Campbell and Mr. Konow will meet Mr. Hartline concerning the schedule for clean out of grease traps.

The Commissioners will tour the new facility on January 13, 2001, Saturday, at 10 a.m. The snow date is January 14, 2001. This will be a legally posted tour of the site and the public is invited to attend.

Ms. Succow reported on the general maintenance done at the plant. She asked that the Highway Department plow the access way to the plant gate. Mrs. Ketcham will follow up on this issue.

#### **STATUS OF MEADOW RIDGE**

Mr. Priest reported on the successful transition from old plant to new plant.

The issue of noise from the new plant was raised by members of the Board (in response to neighbors concerns). The soundproofing has not been completed at this time. Some

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of the motors may be creating excessive noise. This will be explored. The Commission suggested compiling a list of problems/concerns that need to be addressed. Included on the list will be OSHA regulations.

## **OTHER BUSINESS**

Mr. Konow reported on the subcommittee meeting he and Mr. Campbell had with Ms. Guitar of the Board of Finance, Mrs. Ketcham, and Mr. Hutvagner (Town Comptroller). The purpose of the meeting was to explore the possibility of the Commission requesting the Town to offset approximately 50% of the operating costs of the Georgetown Treatment Facility. Mr. Konow pointed out that the rate being charged the users is \$17.90/1000 gallon. The average for the state is \$2.67/1000 gallon. Ms. Guitar questioned some of the costs and asked for additional data. The group plans to meet again prior to formally approaching the Board of Finance. The Commission agrees that the fees being charged are exorbitant and should be reduced.

Mrs. Moio, Tax Collector, reported that the meters were not read as scheduled in January due to the snow. She is sending out estimated bills for the quarter. She also reported that two of the properties are in bankruptcy and she is unable to collect taxes from them. She will check with Town Attorney M. Lavelle on those properties, especially since one property has rental income.

The WPCC budget review with the Board of Selectmen is scheduled for February 24, 2001.

## **ADJOURNMENT**

The chair adjourned the meeting at 9:00 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Mary Maday, Recording Secretary