



**WATER POLLUTION CONTROL COMMISSION**  
**MINUTES**  
**March 3, 2004**

Present: G. Konow, D. Pattee, J. Campbell, R. Regan P. Moisia D. Stroetzel  
Also present: Jon Hoisak of US Filter/Veolia Water

Mr. Konow called the March 32004 meeting to order at 7:30 p.m.

**APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

**Motion:** That the Water Pollution Control Commission approve the minutes of the meeting of February 4, 2003 as corrected. Pattee, Konow. Approved. Unanimous.

Correction: page 1, correct spelling of Jon Hoisak's name; page 2, under Other Business, the paragraph should read as follows:

“The Commission discussed the potential development of the Gilbert & Bennett site. This development would include a Phase 3 of the sewer treatment facility. Mr. Pattee raised the question of whether the Georgetown Development Company had an estimate of what the flows would be, who would be assessed for the value of the property after it is built, install water meters and collect fees.

Mr. Pattee had a copy of a referral from the Zoning Commission to the Conservation Commission for input for a Public Hearing on February 11, 2004. The WPCC should be added to the distribution/circulation list for such information. Mr. Konow will speak with the Zoning Enforcement Officer to set the WPCC in the loop regarding the development.”

**VEOLIA/US FILTER REPORT**

Mr. Hoisak of Veolia Water presented the written report on plant operations for February. The plant did not meet all permit requirements for the months. Action has been taken to correct the problems. Retesting has occurred, but the results are not yet available.

The effluent flow meter was discussed. Mr. Hoisak had a instrumentation vendor inspect the effluent flow measurement system and verified that it was operational. He noted that it is set up correctly, but is the wrong application. Mr. Pattee requested Mr. Hoisak determine what system would be best, get estimates and make a recommendation to the WPCC at the April meeting.

Mr. Konow reported that he arranged a meeting between Mr. Hoisak and representatives of Georgetown Development LLC.

#### DISCUSSION OF SURVEY

Mr. Konow reported that he review documentation from 1997 when the WPCC established the \$15/month fee and the \$17.90/gallon cost for water. The original document indicated the property owner was to be charged the \$15/month service ready fee. The Georgetown Office Building is a condominium, thus each of the unit owners is charged the \$15/month. As a result, Mr. Konow recommended reverting to charging the property owner the \$15/month fee, not each owner and tenant as was discussed at the last few meetings.

Motion: That the WPCC revert to the original plan to charge each property owners \$15/month service ready fee in the Georgetown Sewer District. Konow, Pattee. Approved. 5-0-1. Mr. Campbell abstained.

Discussion continued as to how the Commission could reduce the cost for the residents of the Georgetown Sewer District. A number of suggestions were discussed. The need to get accurate meter readings was discussed. Mr. Campbell will arrange a meeting with Aquarion to discuss getting more accurate information from them. The meter readings will be done at the end of March and malfunctioning meters will be identified and corrected.

#### REVIEW OF FINANCIAL STATUS

The Commission reviewed the financial report from Controller Hutvagner.

#### OTHER BUSINESS

Michael Pagano, a resident of Old Mill Road, addressed the Commission regarding the effect of development in Georgetown on his property. The anticipated relief and lowering of rates as a result of Meadow Ridge coming on line has not materialized. He feels the presence of the sewer treatment facility has decreased the value of his property and the planned development will also be detrimental. He strongly asked the Commission to ask the Town of Redding to carry a portion of the operation costs of the treatment facility and provide relief to the home owners.

#### ADJOURNMENT

The chair adjourned the meeting at 10:00 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Mary Maday, Recording Secretary