# WESTCHESTER JOINT WATER WORKS Board of Trustees Meeting Friday, August 12, 2011 at 12:00 p.m.

The meeting was called to order at 12: 10 p.m. with the following members present:

- Trustees Valerie O'Keeffe, Joan Walsh and Norman Rosenblum
- Anthony O. Conetta, Manager

#### Absent

Paul Noto, Esq.

#### **Approval of Minutes**

Trustee Rosenblum made a motion to approve the minutes as presented for the July 26, 2011 Board meeting. Trustee O'Keeffe seconded the motion, all in favor:

Trustee O'Keeffe "aye" Trustee Rosenblum "aye"

## Financial Reports and Approval

The Manager reviewed the current bank balances with the Board.

The Manager presented the 84 claims to the Board for approval. After reviewing the claims, Trustee Rosenblum made a motion to approve the 84 claims in the amount of \$257,304. Trustee O'Keeffe seconded the motion, all in favor:

Trustee O'Keeffe "aye" Trustee Rosenblum "aye"

The Manager reviewed the current status of the disbursement table for the 2010 earnings. The Manager reported that four of the seven proposed payments have been made.

At 12:25 p.m., Trustee Walsh joined the Board meeting.

The Manager gave a status update of the 2011 budget.

The Manager informed the Board that there was an article in The Sound and Town Report on WJWW water rate increases.

The Manager and David Birdsall have reviewed the WJWW's service and parts fee schedule and their recommendation is to not raise these fees and to readopt the current fee schedule. Trustee Rosenblum made a motion to readopt the service and parts fee schedule that was effective 7/01/10. Trustee O'Keeffe seconded the motion, all in favor:

Trustee O'Keeffe "aye"
Trustee Rosenblum "aye"
Trustee Walsh "aye

The Manager also reviewed a summary of overdue customer invoices/payments. The Manager reported that he would like to phase in monthly billing beginning in January.

## **Operations Report**

The Manager reviewed the water production report and stated that water sales are down 13% from the same time last year.

The Manager informed the Board that he attended a meeting with the NYCDEP and the upstate water coalition on August 11<sup>th</sup> to discuss necessary repairs that will be made to the Delaware Aqueduct system. Other members of the upstate water coalition in attendance were Michael Pointing/Chris Graziano from United Water and Jim Macri from the Village of Scarsdale. The Manager explained that the Delaware system is leaking and NYCDEP is looking into a possible bypass during the Delaware shut down. The WJWW will need to find another water source while this repair is being made. The repair should take about 18 months to complete. NYCDEP was putting the upstate water coalition on notice about this shutdown.

The Manager reported that WCDOH has reviewed the packet submitted by Dvirka and Bartilucci (D&B) for the Springdale Road Pressure/Pump Station. WCDOH has requested a meeting with WJWW and D&B to review the paperwork submitted for this project. The meeting is scheduled for Tuesday, August 16<sup>th</sup>, 2011.

The Manager informed the Board that WJWW currently has 55% of MXUs installed.

The Manager stated that the York Road water main improvements project should begin in the next couple of weeks.

The Manager gave an update on the USEPA Water Main Improvements project. The Manager reported that the bids were reviewed by Hazen & Sawyer. A scope review meeting was held on August 2, 2011 with WJWW, Hazen & Sawyer and Petrillo Contracting to discuss the project. The Manager also reported that after the scope meeting, Hazen & Sawyer recommended to award the construction services for the USEPA water main improvements project to Petrillo Contracting, the lowest responsible bidder for a not to exceed amount of \$375,000, with the stipulation that Mike Gallagher would be the project manager. Trustee Rosenblum made a motion to award the construction services for the USEPA water main improvements project to Petrillo Contracting, with the stipulation that Mike Gallagher would be the project manager. Trustee Walsh seconded the motion, all in favor:

Trustee O'Keeffe "aye"
Trustee Rosenblum "aye"
Trustee Walsh "aye

The Manager reported that sometime in September and prior to start of construction, he will issue a notice and/or press release notifying customers of the water main improvements in the areas around York Road, Lundy Lane, Davenport Road and Taylor Lane.

The Manager stated that the work at the Purchase Booster Station has been completed. Replacement pumps are in full use and WJWW is finalizing the conclusion of the project.

The Manager stated that integrity report for Winged Foot Tank was submitted to WCDOH for approval/comments. The next reports to be submitted to WCDOH will be integrity tank reports for the Purchase Tanks #1 and #2 and Park Lane #2.

The Manager reported that SCADA Improvements Project Phase I bid notice was published in the paper. The bid opening is scheduled for August 18, 2011 at 10:00 a.m.

The Manager received a Resolution from the Town of North Castle which extends Water District No. 6 – Old Orchard Street. The Manager stated that he will need a recommendation from Paul Noto to forward to NYCDEP to get permission to sell water to North Castle.

The Manager reviewed the results of a research study that shows no link between fluoride and a rare form of cancerous bone tumors.

## **Greenhaven Service Area Status**

The Manager is still awaiting back-up information he requested for the City of Rye taxes.

#### County UV Alternative

The Manager reported that WJWW is awaiting response from NYSDOH on the revised Basis of Design reported that WJWW submitted to NYSDOH and the no new information has been received from the County regarding its progress on the UV alternative.

#### Union

The Manager reported that the Union has not held their meeting yet.

The next Board of Trustees meeting is scheduled for Tuesday, August 23, 2011 at 3:30 p.m.

### **Executive Session**

At 12:57 p.m. Trustee O'Keeffe made a motion to go into Executive Session to discuss personnel history of a particular person. Trustee Rosenblum seconded the motion, all in favor: "aye"

At 12:58 p.m., Trustee Rosenblum made a motion to leave Executive Session and return to the regular Board Meeting. Trustee Walsh seconded the motion, all in favor: "aye".

With no further business to discuss, at 12:58 p.m. Trustee Rosenblum made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Trustee O'Keefe seconded the motion, all in favor "aye". The meeting adjourned.