



PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION
 Bethel Municipal Center, 1 School Street
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REGULAR MEETING

Thursday, April 11, 2024

3:30 p.m.

Meeting held in Meeting Room A and via Google Meet

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Present: First Selectman Daniel Carter, Selectman Richard Straiton, Commissioner Deno Gualtieri, and Commissioner and Peter Valenti. Also in attendance, Public Utilities Director Thomas Villa, Utility Supervisor Kelly Curtis, Town Counsel Melane O'Brien, and Comptroller Brad Heering

Absent: Selectman Bryan Terzian

Call to Order: First Selectman Carter called the Regular Meeting to order at 3:31 p.m. and led the Commission in the Pledge of Allegiance.

Public Input: None

Correspondence: None

Minutes:

Meeting Minutes from Regular Meeting of March 31, 2024:

First Selectman Carter made a motion, which was seconded by Selectman Straiton, to approve the minutes from the Regular Meeting of March 31, 2024, as submitted. Vote, All in Favor, Motion Approved.

Financials:

- 1. Financial Report:** Comptroller Heering reviewed the Financial Report, dated March 31, 2024, with the Commission. He stated the Town has not received the City of Danbury's sewer bill.

First Selectman Carter made a motion, which was seconded by Selectman Straiton, to approve the Financial Report, dated March 31, 2024, as presented. Vote, All in Favor, Motion Approved.

2. Invoices:

Invoices for PUC Approval - Regular Meeting April 11, 2024							
#	Vendor	Inv. Date	Inv. #	Amount	% Complete	Description	Account
1	Kovacs Construction	04/01/24	11	\$564,560.11	47.09% as of 4/1/24	Bergstrom Well WTP	Water Dept. #0240235-5405
2	Wright-Pierce #1024	04/08/24	235092	\$42,906.40	57.62% as of 3/29/24	Bergstrom Field Test Well Construction Administration	Water Dept. #0240235-5405
3	Wright-Pierce #1024	04/09/24	235272	\$7,454.62	68.31% as of 3/29/24	Water System SCADA Upgrade	Water Dept. #0240235-5405
4	Weston & Sampson	04/05/24	4241254	\$5,978.38	2.25% as of 3/29/24	Professional Services Sub Area 13	Sewer Dept. #0340235-5405
TOTAL:				\$620,899.51			

First Selectman Carter made a motion, which was seconded by Selectman Straiton, to approve the invoices, dated April 11, 2024, in the amount of \$620,899.51, as submitted. Vote, All in Favor, Motion Approved.

New Business:

1. **Consideration of Formalizing 3 Undocumented Sanitary Sewer Easements on the Benedict Road/Millbrook Road Area:**

Town Counsel informed the Commission Steiner, Inc. is developing a parcel and discovered three easements that were never formalized but sewers are in place. Steiner is requesting the Town formalize the easement for the selling of the lots.

First Selectman Carter made a motion, which was seconded by Selectman Straiton, to approve the sanitary sewer easements A, B and C with a survey date of January 6, 2024. Vote, All in Favor, Motion Approved.

Director's Report: Director Villa reviewed the following with the Commission:

- EPA Regulatory Advisory drinking water standard for PFAS
- Lead and copper rule revision and improvements. The Town will need to rule out unknown services in the future.
- Budget – draft for next month to review.
- Justin Bechtold passed his Operator 3 exam.

First Selectman Carter made a motion, which was seconded by Commissioner Valenti, to accept the Directors Report. Vote, All in Favor, Motion Approved.

Old Business:

1. **MIU Replacements:**

K. Curtis reported 285 MIU left to do. Averaging seven a day. Will start reads next Tuesday.

2. **PUC Capital Project Status Summary:** Director Villa reported the following:

Bergstrom: 47% of the project is paid out, with 50% of the project complete. Metal building has been delivered. Control panel shipping is delayed until October.

Sanitary Sewer Evaluation of Sub Area 13: Proceeding.

3. **PFAS Class Action Update:** No update

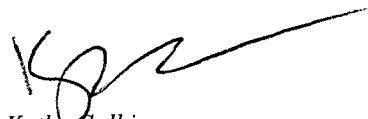
Utility Supervisor's Report: Utilities Supervisor Kelly Curtis reported the following:

- Sewer back up at Hudson Glen on Good Friday. Pembroke opened up.
- Leak Survey – scheduled next few weeks.
- Saxon Woods – he suggested this be reviewed for the next sewer area to be worked on.

First Selectman Carter made a motion, which was seconded by Selectman Straiton, to accept the Utility Supervisor Report. Vote, All in Favor, Motion Approved.

Adjourn: *As there was no further business on the agenda, Selectman Terzian made a motion, which was seconded by Selectman Straiton, to adjourn the meeting at 4:24 p.m. Vote, All in Favor, Motion Unanimously Approved.*

Respectfully submitted,



Kathy Galbis
Recording Secretary