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MEMBERS PRESENT: Philip Grande, Sr., Chairman
Michael Visnic
Nick Mastrangelo
C Robert Sigler

ALSO PRESENT: Robert Brinton, Town Engineer
Art Williams, Treasurer
Mr. John Oatley, VP, Veolia Water North America
Mr. Mark Barrows, Project Manager, Veolia Water North America

Chairman Grande called the meeting to order at 6:00 PM.

Approve Minutes of October 23, 2018 Special Meeting: A motion to approve the Minutes was made by Commissioner Visnic and seconded by Commissioner Mastrangelo. With no discussion needed, the motion was unanimously approved.

Approve Minutes of October 25, 2018 Meeting: A motion to approve the Minutes was made by Commissioner Visnic and seconded by Commissioner Mastrangelo. With no discussion needed, the motion was unanimously approved.

Veolia Water North America: At this point, the gentlemen from Veolia Water North America (Mr. John Oatley, VP and Mr. Mark Barrows, Project Manager) introduced themselves to the Commissioners and explained some of the work and problem solving that has been done since taking over our wastewater system when Scott Allen retired end October 2018. It was noted that Veolia Water is planning to evaluate the pump stations and make some recommendations in the near future. A general discussion ensued wherein Chairman Grande noted that the restaurants in Town are required to send reports after pump outs and that none have been seen in the recent months. Mr. Barrows noted that Veolia Water's practice is to inspect the restaurant and hand out warnings if not in compliance. Subsequently, if the issue gets ignored a notice of violation of FOG regulations is issued. Mr. Barrows also noted that locks have been changed on gates of all pump stations and lifting chains will be installed shortly. He went on to report that, other than three (3) issues (Carlson Road – blockage; Smith Farms – sludge; Boston Post Road – very little flow), everything has been routine. Discussion continued. Mr. Oatley and Mr. Barrows noted that Veolia Water has new assets to support the Orange operation and confirmed that a monthly report, including expenditures, will be sent to the WPCA for review.

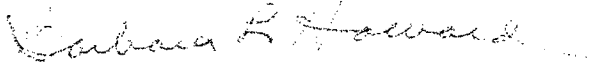
197 Indian River Road: Chairman Grande reported that he attended a meeting Thursday morning regarding this proposed development. He also noted that the original developer is no longer in the picture and that this project is back to "square one". A short discussion followed.

Finance: Art Williams distributed copies of the trial balance and reviewed same with the Commissioners. He also noted that the Veolia Water expenses are included in the budget numbers under line item "salary-sewer & asst sewer". Discussion ensued. Commissioners then discussed increasing the sewer rate to cover the Veolia Water expenses. Chairman Grande noted that a \$6.95 rate would cover these expenses. Discussion continued wherein Art Williams agreed that a rate of \$6.95 would be sufficient. Chairman Grande noted that a Public Hearing is required in order to increase the sewer rate for inclusion in the next billing. Chairman Grande noted that a special meeting may be needed to further discuss the rate increase prior to holding a Public Hearing.

New Business: No new business.

With no other business to discuss, a motion to adjourn was made by Commissioner Mastrangelo and seconded by Commissioner Sigler; the meeting adjourned at 6:59 PM.

Respectfully submitted,



Barbara L. Howard
Recording Secretary

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cc: WPCA Members, Town Treasurer, Town Engineer, Sylvie Napoli