# **Jewett City Department of Public Utilities Board of Commissioners Meeting Minutes** October 12, 2022

The regular meeting of the Board of Public Utilities Commissioners was held in the office of the DPU on Wednesday, October 12, 2022, at 4:30 pm.

Chairman Demicco called the meeting to order with Comm. Throwe and Comfort. Also, in attendance were Timothy Sharkey, Warden of Jewett City, Dana Bennett, First Selectwoman of the Town of Griswold, Eric Christensen, Town of Griswold Finance, Carol Throwe and Kenneth Sullivan, Director of Utilities.

## AGENDA #2 APPROVE THE MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING HELD OF SEPTEMBER 14, 2022:

Comm. Comfort made the motion to approve the regular meeting minutes held on September 14, 2022 as written and presented prior to the meeting. The motion was seconded with all in favor.

#### **AGENDA #3 READING OF COMMUNICATIONS:**

Enclosed for the commissioner's information was a copy of Talcott Resolution statement for the additional premium payment sent for pension funds.

### **AGENDA #4 REPORTS OF OTHER COMMISSIONERS:**

Chairman Demicco stated that he attended the Finance and Risk Management meetings for CMEEC and the Borough of Jewett City Monthly Meeting.

## AGENDA #5 REVIEW (AND POSSIBLY APPROVE) PROPOSED FINAL PLANS SUBMITTED BY FUSS AND O'NEILL FOR SEWER EXTENSION ON ROUTE 164 AND ROUTE 201:

Director Sullivan stated that Marshall Gaston, of Fuss and O'Neill, had previously given this presentation to the Town of Griswold and the Griswold Water Pollution Control Authority. Mr. Marshall Gaston introduced himself as the senior engineer of these two projects. He explained via a map of both the Route 164 and Route 201 sites the location of new sewer pipes and forced mains, new pump stations and manholes. He explained where there would be forced main pipes and gravity fed pipes along with possible permits that may be needed. He stated that the pump station generator at East Main Street and Monroe Avenue would be upgraded to accommodate the transfer of flow from across the street. After answering some questions, Mr. Gaston thanked the Board and took his leave at 6:07 pm.

After some discussion, Chairman Demicco made the motion to approve the Expected Final Plans for the sewer expansions on Route 164 and Route 201. The motion was seconded with all in favor.

### **AGENDA #6 SEWER UPDATE:**

Director Sullivan stated that there were a couple issues that presented themselves that were associated with the nine inches of rain we received. He said that the plant was running perfectly otherwise. He also stated he thought the plant had received a slug of toxic material and the thought was that the toxic material had caused the problems at the plant. The plant is running well at this time and the problems that were encountered are gone.

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#### **AGENDA #7 OTHER BUSINESS:**

Director Sullivan stated that with the possibility of bad weather coming on Thursday night, the men have been out tree trimming. He also stated that he had trimmed the bottom of the poles on Soule Street.

### **AGENDA #8 ADDRESS PUBLIC CONCERNS:**

Director Sullivan stated that he had nothing at the time of preparing this agenda.

A question was asked about houses that would want to tie-in to the sewer system along Route 201 and Route 164. Director Sullivan informed the Commissioners that we have a policy stating that no one can be attached to any force main pipe. Also discussed were the additional manhour costs of checking on the pump stations that were being planned.

A motion was made by Chairman Demicco to adjourn the meeting at 5:41 pm. The motion was seconded with all in favor.

Respectfully submitted by:

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Secretary to the Board