MINUTES
PUBLIC HEARING
CITY COUNCIL & WPCA
August 19, 2019

A **PUBLIC HEARING** was held by the Torrington Board of Councilmen, herein acting as the Water Pollution Control Authority, in the City Hall Auditorium on Monday, August 19, 2019, to solicit citizen input regarding a sewer extension request from the WPCA of the Town of Harwinton to extend the City of Torrington's sanitary sewer system from Perkins Street to the Harwinton Town Line. Present were Mayor Elinor Carbone and City Councilors Frank Rubino, Paul Cavagnero, Gregg Cogswell, Marie Soliani, Fred Simon, and Anne Ruwet. Public Works Director Raymond Drew, City Engineer Paul Kundzins, WPCA Senior Plant Operator Edward Tousey, Purchasing Agent Pennie Zucco, Fleet Manager Emil Castro, Economic Development Director Rista Malanca, City Treasurer Daniel Farley, and Superintendent of Streets and Parks Bill Mayers were also present.

Mayor Carbone called the Public Hearing to order at 6:30 p.m. beginning with the Pledge of Allegiance.

City Clerk Carol Anderson read the legal notice.

Public Comment

<u>William J. Tracy, Esq.</u> and Harwinton WPCA member <u>Glenn McGrane</u> requested that the Torrington City Council and WPCA approve the sewer extension request. Atty. Tracy explained that the sewer extension would serve a 36-unit apartment complex for adults age 55 and older at 24 Bumper Road in Harwinton. He further explained that the estimated daily wastewater production of 6,600 gallons falls within the reserve capacity that the Town of Harwinton already pays for and clarified that the construction work for the proposed sewer extension would be done at the Developer's expense.

<u>Barbara Gall</u> expressed her concerns about transparency regarding sewer construction projects and IMAs. She also expressed her concerns regarding different sewer use fees charged to Harwinton residents compared to Torrington residents.

<u>Atty. Tracy</u> provided additional clarification regarding the gallonage of wastewater allocated to the Town of Harwinton and stated that Harwinton is only asking to utilize existing capacity which it already pays for.

<u>Rachel D'ambrosio</u> expressed her concerns regarding the calculation of fees for the Town of Harwinton to use Torrington's sewer system.

Public Hearing Closed

Seeing and hearing no desire for further comment, Mayor Carbone declared the public hearing closed at 6:48 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted, Jonathan R. Draper, Asst. Clerk

ATTEST:

CAROL L. ANDERSON, MMC

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