

A **REGULAR MEETING** was held by the Ordinance subcommittee of the City Council & WPC Authority on Tuesday, September 4, 2018 at the City Hall Auditorium.

Present were Chairman Gregg Cogswell, Councilman Paul Cavagnero, and Councilwoman Anne Ruwet. Director of Personnel and Labor Relations, Atty. Mark Dumas and Water Pollution Control Administrator Ray Drew were also present.

Chairman Cogswell called the meeting to order at 5:30 p.m.

**Minutes**

On a motion by Councilman Cavagnero, seconded by Councilwoman Ruwet, the committee voted unanimously to approve the minutes of the Regular Meeting held August 20, 2018.

**Discussion: Ordinance Chapter 170 – Sewers**

Atty. Dumas presented draft amendments to Torrington Code of Ordinances, Chapter 170 – Sewers. Councilors Cavagnero and Ruwet questioned whether a municipality can charge non-residents higher sewer use fees. Atty. Dumas cited §204 of the Federal Water Pollution Control Act, which regulates how a City can manage and implement sewer use fees when it accepts federal money, and stated that doing so could result in costly litigation from claims against the City.

Councilman Cavagnero requested further specificity in the Sewers Ordinance to account for potential catastrophes and to hold third-party users accountable for potential damages. Chairman Cogswell requested that Councilman Cavagnero prepare a list of items that he would like included in the Ordinance and distinguished between the role of the Ordinance and an IMA.

**Adjournment**

On a motion by Councilman Cavagnero, seconded by Councilwoman Ruwet, the committee voted unanimously to adjourn the meeting at 6:07 p.m.

*Respectfully Submitted,*  
*Jonathan R. Draper, Asst. Clerk*

ATTEST:

  
CAROL L. ANDERSON, MMC  
CITY CLERK