

CAMDEN-WYOMING SEWER & WATER AUTHORITY

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*Minutes of the Camden-Wyoming
Sewer and Water Authority
Regular Session - Authority Meeting
Held on February 9, 2016*

Authority Members present: Mr. Jeffrey Connor
Mr. Michael Quinn
Mr. Daniel Ridgely
Mr. Daniel Woodall

**Also in attendance representing
the CWS&WA:** Mr. Harold Scott, Authority Superintendent
Mr. Soheil Gharebaghi, P.E., Authority Engineer

Public in Attendance: Meeting Attendance/Sign-in Sheet;
available at the CWS&WA Office

The Camden-Wyoming Sewer and Water Authority (CWS&WA) met at the CWS&WA Office on February 9, 2016. The meeting was called to order at 7:03 p.m. by the Chairperson, Mr. Quinn.

There were no items removed from the Consent Agenda.

Approval of the Consent Agenda:

Motion: Mr. Ridgely made a motion to approve the Consent Agenda, seconded by Mr. Connor. Motion carried unanimously.

Maintenance & Operations Status (Superintendent Report):

Mr. Scott distributed the Operations and Maintenance Report for the period and discussed the same. Mr. Scott indicated that the Authority crews had repaired a fire hydrant that had been struck by a car in front of Caesar Rodney High School. Mr. Scott also indicated that the Authority crews had repaired a 4-inch diameter water main at Franklin Street. The old lead packing of a joint in the pipe had caused the water leak, Mr. Scott explained.

Mr. Scott reported that the Authority crews had replaced a faulty curb stop on the water service line serving Pizzadili.

Mr. Scott indicated that the Authority crews had observed the irrigation system operating at WSFS - S. Dupont Highway - and advised the bank personnel to shut the irrigation system off. Mr. Scott also noted that the Authority crews had assisted WSFS - Camden Wyoming Avenue - to shut the water service off because of an internal water pipe break in the bank.

Mr. Scott reported that the Authority crews had installed, at the property owner's expense, a new 1-inch diameter water service tap at Asbury Avenue.

Mr. Scott reported that vandals had broken the back windows of 3680 Upper King Road.

Maintenance & Operations Status (Superintendent Report, cont.):

Mr. Scott indicated that the Authority crews had assisted the Town of Camden with the recent snow removal.

Regarding the Authority's finances, Mr. Scott reported a current balance of approximately \$190,000. Mr. Scott also noted that approximately \$264,000 had been collected since the last period.

Mr. Scott indicated that 570 delinquent notices had been sent to customers with disconnection of water services scheduled for February 23, 2016. Mr. Scott indicated that on four Sheriff sale properties, the Authority held liens for delinquent water and sewer billing on two, with the remaining two owing small amounts. Mr. Scott noted that accounts receivables (AR) aging more than 180 days had totaled approximately \$71,000. Mr. Scott noted that 118 N. Main Street was sold in a Sheriff sale. The property never had sewer and water connections and remained unoccupied, Mr. Scott added.

Mr. Ridgely indicated that he had attended the Council Meeting of the Town of Camden where the Mayor and Council of the Town had expressed appreciation for the Authority's assistance with snow removal.

Engineering Report:

On the Capacity Development Project, Gharebaghi reported that Caldwell Tanks crews were continuing to weld the various components of the tank. The tank construction was approximately 80% completed and the work was on schedule, Gharebaghi added.

Gharebaghi indicated that, per Mr. Ridgely's request, he had requested prices from Corrosion Control Corporation for lettering and logo on the tank.

Gharebaghi indicated that the Authority was working with Abel Recon to develop prices for sanitary sewer manhole rehabilitation at Mechanic Street and other manholes with infiltration and inflow (I & I) problems.

Gharebaghi reported that the Delaware River Basin Commission (DRBC) Water Audit for calendar year 2015 was due by March 31, 2016. He indicated that he would be working on this item and offered the review of the 2015 water audit to interested Board Members when completed.

It was reported that Mr. Jim Vescovi of the Delaware Solid Waste Authority had made a presentation on environmental engineering and solid waste handling to twelve Laboratory for Learning Students on January 28, 2016. He indicated that Michaelena Hayes, P.E. of Mill Brook Engineering was the guest speaker for the next session of Laboratory for Learning program, scheduled for February 25, 2016.

Mr. Ridgely explained that the Town of Camden had expressed an interest in the Town's logo or "Town of Camden" on the new tank, at the Town's expense, and had asked for prices for the options. Mr. Connor brought up the Town of Wyoming in this regard. Mr. Scott explained the history of contention with respect to lettering on the Authority's existing two tanks. Issues such as size, facing direction, etc. had resulted in no lettering on the Authority's existing two tanks.

Engineering Report (cont.):

Mr. Scott suggested that the Authority could request prices for three options: Town of Camden on the new tank, Town of Wyoming on the existing 1 MG tank and Caesar Rodney Riders on the existing 300,000 gallon tank. Each entity could have options to pay for the lettering/logo on the tanks, Mr. Scott added. This matter was slated for discussion at the Comprehensive Planning Committee.

Legal Report:

There was no legal Report.

Correspondence:

With the exception of those referenced above, there was no other correspondence.

Comprehensive Planning and Rate structure review committees:

A Comprehensive Planning Committee and Rate structure review committee Workshop Session was scheduled for February 23, 2016, for the discussion of above items. Mr. Ridgely also indicated that brown water incidents at Barclay Farms should be included in the discussion because Ms. Tracy Torres of the Town of Camden Council had brought the matter to the attention of Mr. Ridgely. Mr. Ridgely requested adding the Committees' report to the Agenda of the Authority's next Regular Meeting.

Mr. Ridgely inquired about Tidewater Utilities, Inc. (TUI) having contacted Mr. Quinn. Mr. Quinn explained that following his telephone conversation with Mr. Esposito of TUI, he had requested that Mr. Esposito communicate with the Authority in writing so as to minimize misunderstandings. The Authority had not been contacted by TUI yet, Mr. Quinn added.

Visitors' Comments:

Mr. McFann asked about the vandalism at the Upper King Road property.

Adjournment:

Motion: Mr. Connor made a motion to adjourn the Regular Meeting, seconded by Mr. Woodall. Motion carried unanimously.

The Regular Meeting adjourned at 7:39 p.m. The next Regular Meeting will be held on March 8, 2016, at 7:00 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,
CAMDEN-WYOMING SEWER & WATER AUTHORITY

Harold L. Scott, Sr.
CWS&WA Superintendent