

**CAWPCA**  
**Board of Directors Meeting**  
**Friday, December 16, 2016 - 12:00 P.M.**  
**Greater New Haven WPCA Conference Room**  
**260 East Street**  
**New Haven, CT 06511**  
**MINUTES**

Board Members Present: Larry Murphy, Bill Brink, Tom Sgroi, Denis Cuevas, Brian Armet, Bill Robinson, Jay Sheehan, Andrew Lord, Joseph Schwartz (via phone)

Absent: Robbie Marshall, Lee McNamar

Call to Order

President Tom Sgroi called the meeting to order at 12:26 P.M.

1. Approval of Minutes of Board Meeting held on August 24, 2016
  - Motion – Jay Sheehan – to approve the Meeting Minutes of August 24, 2016, with the condition of correcting in Section 2.a. the word Treasures to Treasurer’s Report.
  - 2<sup>nd</sup> – Larry Murphy
  - Vote: Motion passes
  - Abstain – Bill Brink
  
2. Discussion of NEWEA Transition Conference Call Notes from 11/28/16
  - a. Last invoices to be paid before transition appear to be as follows:
    - i. Aqua Turf for Fall Workshop \$4,466.70
    - ii. Joseph Merritt Printing for Sponsor Boards for Fall Workshop \$220.00
    - iii. NEWEA for Sponsorship of Stockholm Jr. Water Project (travel for 2 students) \$378.20
    - iv. CVP for Videography Services of Fall Workshop \$1,222.50
  - b. Currently, Jackie has the CAWPCA check book and Andrew signs.
  - c. Approval is needed for the travel Sponsorship of Stockholm Jr. Water Project Invoice.  
Motion – Larry Murphy – to approve the payment of the Invoice for Stockholm Jr. Water Project in the amount of \$378.20.  
2<sup>nd</sup> – Brian Armet  
Vote – Passed Unanimously
  - d. Jay offered to check at the annual meeting for all scholarship so we can plan, approve and budget in advance going forward. The Stockholm Jr. Water Project is a competition among high school students. Traditionally, NEWEA pays for the travel. Tom will add this info of our involvement with the scholarship to the CAWPCA website.
  - e. Going forward, we will have invoices sent to Mary, and she will distribute them to the CAWPCA President and Treasurer for approval. Mary will then sign the checks, and then also scan the monthly statements to the Treasurer.
  - f. Joe will touch base with Brian Korby (NEWEA Accountant) regarding our tax status.
  
3. Membership
  - a. CAWPCA Vendor List will be distributed to our Board Members for comments.
  
4. By-Laws
  - a. We will have a committee to go over the CAWPCA By-Laws to see if there should be any suggested edits. Brian Armet will be the Chairman of the Committee and work with Bill Brink and Bill Robinson.

- b. Brian has recommended 2 new members to our Board of Directors: Jack Healy of Berlin and Alice Kelly of Cromwell. Both will be considered by the Board contingent upon biographies (to be submitted by Brian).
5. Spring Workshop
- a. Brief discussion of information collected from questionnaire at the Fall Workshop. Overall, the location seems to work due to the attendance.
  - b. The Spring Workshop is usually geared toward the issues and challenges of the smaller towns. Some of the topics suggested were as follows:
    - i. Stormwater (Larry)
    - ii. Glenn Santoro (GNH Attorney) and George Hicks regarding CWF (Tom).
    - iii. Old Saybrook apartment complex community system (designer, engineer, operator) (Andrew).
    - iv. Pros and Cons of Regionalization – panel discussion? CWF incentives for regionalization projects (Jay).
    - v. Sewer Service Area Map (Ivonne Hall)
  - c. Additional Future Workshop Suggestions:
    - i. Governance – poll for issues (Jay). Perhaps for Fall 2017 Workshop – announce at Spring Workshop.
    - ii. Plan a function after the Spring Workshop – maybe for June?
6. Legislative
- a. January 4, 2017 is the start of the new Legislative Session. Tom will check with Sid for any news regarding the breakfast.
  - b. March 21, 2017 will be the start of the Washington, DC Spring National Legislative Meeting. CAWPCA should be represented there annually.
  - c. Next meeting should include discussion of Spring Awards Nominations.
7. Other
- a. State Rep. Hampton willing to take viable Environmental Law changes to vote. Operator Certification/Continuing Education and a recommended change to update the threshold for prevailing wage.
  - b. Avon contacted Tom regarding changing of prevailing wages, members of the Board agreed that an update using the CPI index would be reasonable but also thought that this should be lead through an organization such as “CT Conference of Municipalities”.
  - c. Since lawmaker session starts in early January, we would need to have language drafted for Hampton very soon.
  - d. Pros and cons of making changes were discussed. CWPAA is taking lead on Operator Cert Language

The meeting adjourned at 2:27 P.M.

Motion – Jay Sheehan

2<sup>nd</sup> – Larry Murphy

