TOWN OF JAMESTOWN BOARD OF WATER AND SEWER COMMISSIONERS PUBLIC HEARING ENVIRONMENTAL ASSESSMENT for the UPGRADE TO THE WATER TREATMENT PLANT

Monday, February 5, 2007

A Public Hearing held by the Jamestown Town Council sitting as the Board of Water and Sewer Commissioners was called to order at the Jamestown Philomenian Library, Conference Room, 26 North Road at 7:06 PM by Commission President David J. Long.

Present were:

Julio DiGiando, Vice-President William A. Kelly Michael F. Schnack

Also present were:

Bruce Keiser, Town Administrator Steven J. Goslee, Public Works Director Mike Gray, PE, Deputy Public Works Director Denise Jennings, Water and Sewer Clerk

Others present were:

Gary Chobanian, PE, Senior Sanitary Engineer, RI Department of Health George H. Gifford, III, Wetlands Biologist, Gifford Design Group, Inc. Justin D. Gould, P.E., Principal Engineer, Fay Spofford & Thorndike, LLC Brenda Hanna, Registered Professional Reporter Dottie Farrington, Jamestown Press Reporter Fred Pease of 29 Maple Street

Absent:

Commissioner Barbara A. Szepatowski

Commission President Long noted that an Executive Session was held from 6:00 PM to 6:58 PM, pursuant to RIGL 42-46-5 (a)(2) (*litigation*) and that the Council will continue the Executive Session discussion following the Public Hearing of the Town Council sitting as the Board of Water and Sewer Commissioners.

ENVIRONMENTAL ASSESSMENT FOR THE UPGRADE TO THE WATER TREATMENT PLANT

Justin D. Gould, P.E from Fay, Spofford & Thorndike made a presentation (See report entitled "Water Treatment Facility Improvements" dated February 5, 2007)

The presentation outline was as follows:

- Distribution System Improvements
 - --Pipeline Replacement
 - --Second Water Storage Tank

- Upgrades to the Water Treatment Facility
 -New Membrane Water Treatment Facility
 -Estimated Construction Schedule and Budget
- Environmental Assessment

Commission President Long entertained questions from the Commission and the public.

There were no members of the public that wished to comment on the upgrade of the Water Treatment Plant.

The Commission asked for clarification on a few items as reported Mr. Gould. Following clarification, Commission President Long thanked Mr. Gould, Mr. Gifford, Mr. Chobanian and Mr. Gray for their presentation and assistance with all Town projects. Commission President Long then closed the public hearing at 7:28 PM.

Motion was made by Commissioner Schnack, seconded by Commissioner DiGiando to continue the Executive Session at 7:35 PM pursuant to RIGL 42-46-5, (a)(2) (*litigation*).

The vote was, Commissioner Long, aye; Commissioner DiGiando, aye; Commissioner Kelly, aye; Commissioner Schnack, aye. Motion so unanimously voted.

The Commission returned to regular session at 8:20 PM.

Motion was made by Commissioner DiGiando, seconded by Commissioner Schnack to seal the minutes of the Executive Session. The vote was, Commissioner Long, aye; Commissioner DiGiando, aye; Commissioner Kelly, aye; Commissioner Schnack, aye. Motion so unanimously voted.

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business before the Commission, motion was made and seconded to adjourn the meeting at 8:21 PM.

Attest:

Denise Jennings Water and Sewer Clerk

xc: Commission Members (5) Town Administrator Town Solicitor Public Works Director Town Clerk