

**SEWER AUTHORITY
OF THE
CITY OF NORWICH**

SPECIAL MAY MEETING
May 31, 2011

The Special May Meeting of the Norwich Sewer Authority was held on Tuesday, May 31, 2011 in the 2nd Floor Board Room of Norwich Public Utilities, located at 16 South Golden Street, Norwich, Connecticut.

Item 1. The Meeting was called to order at 7:00 p.m. by Chairman James Sullivan.

Present: Chairman James Sullivan, Vice Chairman Diana Boisclair, Secretary Alan Remondi and Sewer Authority Member Larry Goldman. Also in attendance were: General Manager John Bilda; NPU Staff Members Chris LaRose, Steve Sinko, Jeff Brining, Kerri Kemp, Ed Shea and Michele Addabbo.

Item 2. Minutes of the Regular April Meeting held on Tuesday, April 26, 2011. Secretary Remondi, seconded by Sewer Authority Member Goldman, moved to approve the Minutes of the Regular April Meeting held on Tuesday, April 26, 2011, as written. Unanimously approved.

Item 3. Public Hearing – Sewer Connection Fee. Chairman Sullivan explained to the public the process of a public hearing, and then opened the hearing asking if anyone from the public had any comment regarding the sewer connection fee.

Louis Kaufman, Ponemah Riverbank. Mr. Kaufman spoke in favor of the proposed change to the connection fee, stating that the Ponemah Mills project could not go forward without a change to the connection fee.

Joanne Philbrick, 10 Elm Avenue. Ms. Philbrick complimented NPU staff for their customer service stating they were exemplary, helpful, consistent and genuine. She questioned the financial impact the proposed connection fee would have on the financial budget.

Kent Baker, NCDC Chairman. Mr. Baker complimented General Manager Bilda and the NPU Board of Commissioners on their efforts to improve economic development with the proposed connection fee.

Mayor Peter Nystrom. Mayor Nystrom thanked NPU and the Board of Commissioners for bringing the proposed connection fee change forward. He stated this was a huge step in helping the City and working toward a common goal.

Robert Mills, NCDC Executive Director. Mr. Mills stated that it was always a delight to deal with NPU, and that the proposed connection fee was a well thought out, thoughtful approach and that it would help to become a synergistic part to the whole effort of economic development.

After calling for additional comment from the public three times and hearing none, Chairman Sullivan declared the public hearing closed at 7:15 p.m.

Secretary Remondi, seconded by Vice Chairman Boisclair moved to approve the changes to the sewer connection fee as proposed. Unanimously approved.

Item 4. The next Regular Meeting is scheduled to be held on Tuesday, June 28, 2011.

Sewer Authority Member Goldman, seconded by Vice Chairman Boisclair moved to adjourn the Meeting at 7:24 p.m. Unanimously approved.

Attest:

Alan Remondi
Secretary