

Building Committee Vernon WPC Facility Upgrade
Via Zoom Teleconference
Thursday, July 21, 2022

APPROVED MINUTES

Regular Members Present: Vice Chairman Robert Grasis, Director of Water Pollution Control; Dave Smith, Town Engineer; Dwight Ryniewicz, Director of Public Works and Andrew Tedford, Chairman Water Pollution Control Authority

Absent Members: Michael Purcaro, Town Administrator and Jeffrey O'Neill, Finance Officer

Staff Present: Steve Seigal, Tighe & Bond and Lisa Yost, Recording Secretary

The meeting was called to order at 4:00 p.m.

1. Public Comment

None.

2. Construction Meeting July 20, 2022

Robert Grasis updated the committee relative to the July 20th construction meeting: there were no safety issues to report and federal/CDC COVID procedures are being followed; the electrical subcontractor is working with Methuen to get the proper sized replacements to fit into the existing buckets for the disc filter replacement breakers. There is a 10-week lead time to get the breakers and Robert Grasis asked Methuen to have Kruger revise their pricing relative to installing the breakers. Also: carbon reduction was discussed; there is no delay in the shipment for the IFAS media; information is still being obtained on the generator primary transformer issue; the emulsion polymer system still has issues after the vendor worked on it last week - troubleshooting continues; the RDT startup is planned for next week; the carbon silo is empty and will be prepped for demolition.

3. Summary of Activities

Robert Grasis reviewed a summary of activities that included:

- The piers for the IMLR piping are being poured and approximately half are finished
- Work continued on Aeration Blowers #3 and #4; startup to be scheduled in the next weeks
- Work continues on the solids handling building
- North Distribution channel work continues
- Work continues in the RAS vault
- Work continues on the Final Clarifiers
- RTD troubleshooting and polymer system startup was performed last week
- The Primary Clarifier #2 launder was abated; repair and painting is ongoing

Steve Seigal noted that the Rotary Drum Thickener process is a major milestone in the progress of the construction.

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4. Upcoming Schedule

Robert Grasis reviewed a schedule of upcoming work for next month.

5. Change Orders

None. A summary of change orders prepared by Heatheryn Leduke was distributed to the committee.

6. Stored Materials

None.

7. Additional Items

None.

8. Approval of Meeting Minutes of July 7, 2022

Dwight Ryniewicz, seconded by Dave Smith made a motion to accept the meeting minutes of the July 7, 2022 meeting as presented. The motion passed (3-0-1) with Andrew Tedford abstaining.

9. Adjournment

Andrew Tedford, seconded by Dwight Ryniewicz, made a motion to adjourn. The motion passed unanimously (4-0-0) and the meeting was adjourned at 4:17 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,



Lisa Yost, Recording Secretary