



MEETING NOTICE AND AGENDA

TOWN OF MANSFIELD

FOUR CORNERS WATER AND SEWER ADVISORY COMMITTEE

Tuesday, January 5, 2016 ■ 6:30 PM

Audrey P. Beck Municipal Building ■ 4 South Eagleville Road
Council Chambers

1. Call to Order
2. Approval of Minutes:
 - a. November 10, 2015 Special Meeting Minutes
3. Public Comment
4. Old Business
 - a. Water Project Update
 - b. Four Corners Sewer Project Update
 - CEPA
 - UConn Sanitary Sewer Agreement
 - c. Sewer Ordinance Review
5. New Business
6. Correspondence and Meeting Reports
7. Future Meetings
8. Adjourn

TOWN OF MANSFIELD ▪ FOUR CORNERS WATER AND SEWER ADVISORY COMMITTEE
DRAFT Special Meeting Minutes ▪ November 10, 2015
Town Council Chambers

Members Present: K. Rawn (chair), J. Coite, M. Hart, V. Raymond, M. Reich, W. Ryan, P. Ferrigno
(6:35 PM)

Staff Present: Carrington, Dilaj

Visitors: C. Wester (Weston & Sampson)

The meeting was called to order at 6:30 p.m. by Rawn.

Approval of Minutes

October 6, 2015 Minutes – Ryan MOVED, Reich seconded to approve the minutes. Motion passed unanimously.

Public Comment

None provided.

Old Business

- a. **Water Project Update.** Coite provided an update on the water project. There was consensus that outreach efforts by the Connecticut Water Company were improved from last meeting. The Connecticut Water Company Contractor has two crews working on installing additional pipe from Anthony Road working north toward Tolland. A question was raised concerning opening of the North Hillside Road Project. Coite indicated the road is scheduled to open by early December. Discussion was had concerning a bike lane on the roadway.
- b. **Four Corners Sewer Project Update (CEPA).** Carrington provided an update concerning the wastewater project indicating the Town received comments from CTDEEP staff. The Town and their consultant has drafted a comment response to most questions. Weston & Sampson and the Planning Department still needed to provide responses. The committee discussed the need to provide an opportunity for the committee to review the comment response prior to submission.

Four Corners Sewer Project Update (Agreement). Hart provided an update concerning the successor wastewater agreement with the University. He indicated that UConn has a base charge that is charged to the Town for wastewater treatment, conveyance, and administrative costs. Staff continues to negotiate with UConn with the following outstanding issues, capital improvements, rates, and shared costs.

- c. **Sewer Ordinance Review.** Christopher Wester, P.E. from Weston & Sampson Engineers discussed with the committee ordinances in other communities. He affirmed that a connection to the sanitary sewer is mandatory, however, other WPCAs in the state have used discretion in

mandating individuals to connect. He indicated the WPCA could provide waivers to properties with recently replaced septic systems and/or subsequent to an inspection of the septic system. He recommended the ordinance be updated with more recent language. The committee requested staff present information on the septic systems within the service area and updated language for the sewer ordinance.

New Business

No updates.

Correspondence and Meeting Reports

No updates.

Future Meetings

The next scheduled meeting is December 1st at 6:30 PM in the Council Chamber.

Adjournment

The meeting was adjourned at 7:45 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Derek M Dilaj, PE
Assistant Town Engineer

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John C. Carrington

From: Esguerra, Carlos <Carlos.Esguerra@ct.gov>
Sent: Monday, December 14, 2015 12:50 PM
To: 'Jeanine Gouin'
Cc: John C. Carrington; Derek M. Dilaj; Linda M. Painter; Matthew W. Hart; 'Jacobs, Ingrid'; Thomas, Eric; Fox, David; Hust, Robert; Greci, Dennis
Subject: Four Corners EIE

Jeanine, good afternoon,

Thanks for taking the time to chat with me last week relative to M&B's response letter. As promised, below is a summary of issues discussed. First three bullets below require updates to EIE, in addition to the updates presented in the 11/30/2015 response letter.

EIE comments:

- 1- W&S capacity analysis of downstream wastewater conveyance system: please update draft EIE with M&B's interpretation of that capacity analysis as it pertains to the subject sanitary sewer extension. Discuss under separate sections of the EIE capacity within conveyance system as well as capacity at treatment plant.
- 2- On the flood management certification discussion: waiver is not the right term, it's an exemption from the policy of non-intensive use within flood plain. State (DEEP-Municipal Facilities Section) will sign on FMC application package (as sponsoring agency) but application materials, including supporting documentation is prepared by town and W&S. The request for the above-mentioned exemption is evaluated by DEEP-IWRD through the FMC review process.
- 3- State plan of C&D: OPM has been very sensitive with the manner in which the current C&D criteria is being utilized by state agencies and regulated community as a whole. Please update C&D section to more thoroughly discuss project consistency with not only applicable GMPs, but also with applicable policies listed under each GMP. For example, one of the policies listed under GMP#4 (page 20) states: *"RELY upon the capacity of the land, to the extent possible, to provide drinking water and wastewater disposal needs beyond the limits of the existing service area. Support the introduction or expansion of public water and/or sewer services or advanced on-site wastewater treatment systems only when there is a demonstrated environmental, public health, public safety, economic, social, or general welfare concern, and then introduce such services only at a scale which responds to the existing need without serving as an attraction to more extensive development"*. Please update EIE with a detailed narrative under each applicable policy with an especial emphasis on policies listed under GMPs # 4 and #5. Please create a separate section for this topic (3.1.2?)
- 4- DEEP appreciates the town's commitment in drafting Stormwater Management Regulations which would be included in the zoning regulations. Recognizing that these are in draft form, have not gone through public vetting process and received final approval, DEEP is pleased with the Town's proactive intent to address expected impacts associated with increases in development within the proposed sewer service area. DEEP remains keenly interested in following the implementation of proposed SW regulations to ensure that proper land management controls are instituted to protect sensitive resources in project area.

EIE publication timeline and logistics

January 5 and January 19 are the two first environmental monitor publication dates scheduled in 2016. In the case of the January 5, 2016 publication date, I would have to receive updated EIE materials by Wednesday December 30, 2015 to have our CEPA coordinator prepare the public notice. For the 1/19/16 publication date, I would have to receive updated materials during the morning hours of Friday 1/15/16.

The public notice will identify a date for holding a public hearing, however, the EIE has to be available for public review for at least 30 days prior to the hearing. This means hearing will take place sometime during the month of February depending on date of publication in the environmental monitor.

I appreciate your time and help with this effort, please do not hesitate to contact me with any questions you may have.

Carlos

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Subject: Response Letter

Carlos,

Attached is a response letter (with attachments) for the Mansfield Four Corners EIE. The original is coming your way via regular mail. Thanks and have a great night.

~Jeanine

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Vice President, Managing Director