

WATERTOWN, CONNECTICUT
WATER AND SEWER AUTHORITY
SPECIAL MEETING
AUGUST 9, 2023

1. **Call Meeting to Order**

Chairman James Sugden called the Special Meeting to order at 6:00 P.M.

2. **Roll Call**

Members present: James Sugden, Keith Franson, Marisa Mancini-Cavallo, Joseph Masi, Edward Wilk

Members excused: Mario Mancini, Michael Garassino

Others present: David McMahon, Jerry Lukowski

3. **Executive Session**

a. Pending Litigation: City of Waterbury vs. Town of Watertown

A motion was made by Joseph Masi to enter into Executive Session. The motion was seconded by Keith Franson. All in favor. Motion passes.

Those entering into Executive Session include the present members of the Commission, Water and Sewer Assistant Superintendent, and Public Works Director.

4. **New Business**

a. Discussion and possible action on City of Waterbury vs. Town of Watertown Litigation.

Mr. Sugden states that the Board has decided to appeal.

b. Discussion and possible action on NewGen Rate Study.

Mr. Lukowski states that NewGen is the same company used in the last rate study, under a different company name. Their proposal was \$42,200 for the rate study.

Mr. McMahon states that it is needed to move forward to correct the rates over the next several years. Mr. Masi asks Mr. McMahon if he thinks it is a reasonable figure and if the study covers what he feels it needs. Mr. McMahon replied with a yes.

A motion was made by Joseph Masi to take on the services of NewGen Strategies and Solutions for the water and sewer study based on the Watertown Water and Sewer Authority's future needs of collecting water and sewer usage charges. The motion was seconded by Keith Franson. All in favor. Motion passes.

5. **Correspondence/ Information**

a. Memo to Town Council re: Appropriation Request

Mr. Lukowski states that they may have to get a Bid waiver to go to NewGen. Mr. Masi would like to indicate that one of the reasons they're looking for a bid waiver is that NewGen has been involved with WSA rate study in the past, and they're involved in the court case.

6. **Funds Tranfers/Appropriations:**

Appropriate: \$21,100.00

From: Line item, Water Capital Fund – 018

To: Line item, Consulting Engineer, 017.50310.075.0470.9017

Appropriate: \$21.100.00

From: Line item, Sewer Capital Fund – 016

To: Line item, Consulting Engineer, 015.50310.074.0470.9015

A motion was made by Keith Franson to appropriate \$21,100 from line item, Water Capital Fund 018 to line item, Consulting Engineer, 017.50310.075.0470.9017 and \$21,100 from line item, Sewer Capital Fund – 016 to line item, Consulting Engineer, 015.50310.074.0470.9015. The motion was seconded by Joseph Masi. All in favor. Motion passes.

7. **Adjournment**

A motion was made by Keith Franson to end the Special Meeting at 7:30 P.M. The motion was seconded by Joseph Masi. All in favor. Motion passes.

Respectfully Submitted,

Keith Franson, Secretary
Water and Sewer Authority

Approved: _____