

THOMASTON WATER POLLUTION CONTROL AUTHORITY

REGULAR MEETING & PUBLIC HEARING

WPCA PLANT 258 OLD WATERBURY RD THOMASTON CT 06787

7:00 PM TUESDAY, Nov. 18, 2025

Present: Ch. Mueller, V. Ch. Fainer, Comms. Piscopo, Chandon, Leduc, Lascko, Scott Amendola & Pat Hayden of Unimetal, Plant Mgr. Galpin and Office Admin. Tammie Ireland

Ch. Mueller called the meeting to order at 7:00 pm.

On a motion put forth by Comm. Piscopo to accept the minutes from the Public Hearing & Regular meeting with corrections from Oct. 21, 2025, 2nd by Comm Chandon. V. Ch Fainer and Comm Lascko abstained. Motion passes unanimously.

CONSULTANT REPORT

Nothing new to report.

On a motion put forth by Comm Chandon to move UniMetal above status report, 2nd by Comm Lascko. Motion passes unanimously.

UNIMETAL

Scott Amendola reported that they have seen improvements with the usage of the clay and they have brought a process engineer on board. Pat Hayden report that the ZLD is halfway across the ocean and should be here sometime in December and they hope to get installation done and be up and running sometime in March 2026.

Status Report by Plant Manager Bert Galpin:

A. Review of the Status report as follows...

B. Treatment Plant

Process is running ok. Kovacs Construction and Stonkis Hydraulics has been working on the SBR sludge waste valves. Manager Bert was in Vermont for 3 days for an operator exchange. Aaron Associates upgraded the computer Microsoft program. The PAC system tank and lines were cleaned and the PAC system was turned off for the season. Operator Matt B was called in for sump pump alarm and blower alarm. Asst. Jim has return from his leave.

Pump Stations

The crew cleaned up the leaves at all the pump stations. The crew ran the generators under load.

Collection System

The crew continues working on mapping and jetting for CMOM. The crew has started to clear the right of ways for the season.

Correspondence:

A summons was received for a homeowner that currently owes WPCA back charges.

OLD BUSINESS

A. Unimetal

Reported above.

B. Capital Improvements:

Plant upgrade and Flow Study, nothing new to report.

C. FOG:

We continue to receive the reports back. Asst Mgr. Jim has a few inspections left.

D. List of equipment/projects needed

SBR waste sludge valves are complete.

D. NPDES – Permit Renewal

Nothing new to report

E. Tim Bobroske-Reynolds Bridge Rd

Nothing new to report

F. Jim Osowiecki- West Hillside Ave

Nothing new to report.

G. South Main St – Apartments

Nothing new to report

H. 55 Stoughton St – 3 Family

Nothing new to report

K. Moratorium

Nothing new to report.

New Business

Mgr. Galpin presented quotes from three contractors for a new water heater. On a motion put forth by V. Ch. Fainer to authorize the replacement of the water heater, not to exceed \$17,000. 2nd by Comm Chandon. Motion passes unanimously

Office Admin Tammie presented the 2026 calendar. On a motion put forth by Comm Chandon to accept the new calendar dates for 2026, 2nd by Comm Lasko. Motion passes unanimously.

Budget/Bills/User fee

On a motion put forth by V. Ch. Fainer to accept the bills as presented. 2nd by Comm Piscopo.

Discussion by Comm Leduc and Comm Lascko. Motion passes unanimously.

Comm Chandon asked Mgr. Bert to put together some information regarding the user fee. He would like to see the cost entailed to put meters at residences and any additional expenses if we were to bill by using water usage for residential.

On a motion put forth by Comm Chandon to adjourn the meeting of Nov. 18, 2025 2nd by Comm Piscopo
Motion passes unanimously.

Ch. Mueller called the time adjourned 7:50pm.

Respectfully submitted,
Tammie S. Ireland
WPCA Administrative Assistant