

**MINUTES OF THE TOWN OF CHESHIRE WATER POLLUTION CONTROL
AUTHORITY REGULAR MEETING HELD THURSDAY, MARCH 26, 2026, AT 6:30
P.M., TOWN HALL COUNCIL CHAMBERS, 84 SOUTH MAIN STREET, CHESHIRE,
CT 06410**

Present: John Perrotti, Chair; Melissa Norback, Vice Chair; Thomas Scannell, Justin Rosadini, Robert Behrer, Carol Doheny

Absent: none

Staff/Guests: Marek Kement, Town Engineer; David Milano, WWTP Superintendent; Dennis Dievert, Wright-Pierce

I. CALL TO ORDER

John Perrotti called the meeting to order at 6:30 p.m.

II. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

The Pledge of Allegiance was recited by all present.

III. ROLL CALL & DETERMINATION OF QUORUM

The Minutes Clerk called the roll and a quorum was present.

IV. PUBLIC COMMUNICATIONS / CORRESPONDENCE

- a. Chesprocott – Septic System Failure Report (February 2026)

Justin Rosadini and John Perrotti noted a date error in the report. There were no further comments.

V. RECEIPT OF APPLICATIONS

- a. WPCA-2025-07: Lakeside of Cheshire (Sewer Service Map Amendment)
(Continued) (DOR 2/10/2026; MAD 4/16/2026)

John Perrotti summarized the application and explained why it was previously continued.

John Perrotti asked Ryan McEvoy of SLR Consulting to report any application updates since the February meeting. Ryan McEvoy explained that the applicant can support a 2:1 land swap ratio and presented an updated map to the WPCA.

John Perrotti read a memorandum that was prepared by Dennis Dievert dated March 20th which explained that the application under review is consistent with the updated Sewer Regulations draft.

Marek Kement confirmed the Town Attorney's feedback on the matter supported a 2:1 land swap ratio.

There were no further questions or comments from any WPCA members.

MOTION by John Perrotti to approve:

Application WPCA-2025-07 for Sewer Service Map Amendment for proposed expansion to Lakeside of Cheshire located at 50-60 Hazel Drive.

Based upon review and recommendations of town staff, the WPCA has determined that the application and supporting documentation provided demonstrate general compliance with the Town of Cheshire Sewer Regulations.

This Approval does not constitute approval for sewer connection. The right to connect to the sewer system can only be gained by applying for and obtaining approval of Final Design and Award of Capacity.

This Sewer Service Map Amendment Approval is subject to the following conditions:

- 1. The application and submittals provided are incorporated and made part of this Approval.*
- 2. A 2:1 land swap shall be provided as proposed by the Applicant, whereas the ± 3.3 acre parcel will now become part of the Sewer Service Area (SSA) and a ± 6.6 acre portion of 50 Hazel Drive will be removed from the SSA.*
- 3. The applicant shall pay an additional fee if GIS mapping services are required.*

SECONDED by Thomas Scannell. All in favor, the motion **PASSED** unanimously.

VI. STAFF REPORTS – (ITEMS NOT ON THE AGENDA)

a. Plant Superintendent's Report

The Plant Superintendent, David Milano, presented his report, which is attached in full.

David Milano provided a verbal report on the sewer blockage that occurred on the evening of Wednesday, March 25th near Soderman Drive. He explained that multiple homes reported sewage backups in their basements. Although the blockage was within a private line, the Water Pollution Control Department (WPCD) helped in this instance. He also discussed the situation

with the development's property manager, informed them that the blockage was within their private line, and provided recommendations for ongoing maintenance.

David Milano further explained that a large amount of construction debris and grease was found in the sewer line, and as a result, the Dickerman Pump Station was scheduled to be cleaned out on March 27th.

David Milano notified Chesprocott of the blockage since several restaurants have recently opened in the Stone Bridge development that could be contributing to the grease buildup. Chesprocott conducted inspections on March 26th and found Chipotle to be out of compliance with grease trap maintenance requirements. Chesprocott issued Chipotle a citation for the violation. David Milano will confirm the deadline for corrective action.

David Milano presented photos of grease and debris buildup at the Dickerman Pump Station to the WPCA.

John Perrotti asked questions about the grease traps at Chipotle, Birdcode, and Shake Shack. Marek Kement confirmed the restaurants in question have external grease traps.

John Perrotti led a discussion on how the WPCA should address the issue since Chipotle holds a Fats, Oils, and Grease (FOG) permit that was issued by the WPCA. He recommended that a representative from the Town of Cheshire visit all the food establishments at Stone Bridge and noted that all the grease traps should be inspected. Marek Kement and David Milano confirmed they would coordinate a visit to conduct inspections.

b. Town Engineer's Report

The Town Engineer, Marek Kement, had no report.

c. Consulting Engineer's Report

The Consulting Engineer, Dennis Dievert, had no report.

VII. NEW BUSINESS

a. Sewer Use Billing – Language edits

Marek Kement shared that he reviewed several iterations of wording on past sewer use bills related to the sewer use freeze. He will work on updating the language for WPCA review for inclusion on next year's sewer use bill.

b. Historic Sump Pump Information & Data

Marek Kement explained that he began researching the topic of handling sump pump connections to the sewer, which resulted in an overwhelming amount of information to review.

John Perrotti led a discussion on how best to manage the information. He asked Marek Kement to make all research available to the WPCA in a digital format so it can be reviewed over time. Marek Kement confirmed that he would do so.

VIII. OLD BUSINESS / PROJECT UPDATES

a. I&I Study & Plant Capacity Evaluation (Wright-Pierce)

Marek Kement reported that the WPCA's presentation to the Town Council was tentatively scheduled April 14th. John Perrotti shared he is unable to attend on that date, and Marek Kement agreed that his presence is necessary as the Chairman. Marek Kement will contact the Town Manager, Sean Kimball, to reschedule the WPCA's meeting with Town Council.

b. HVAC Upgrades to Operations Building (Town)

Marek Kement reported the work is ongoing and is almost done.

c. HVAC Upgrades to Administration Building (Town)

Marek Kement explained the work will be starting in approximately one month.

d. Elmwood Pump Station Upgrade (Town)

Marek Kement reported the design is 99% complete and he is just waiting for the final product.

e. Denitrification Filter Facility Upgrade (Wright-Pierce)

Dennis Dievert reported that the 30% Basis of Design (BOD) memo has been completed, and the 60% BOD memo is in progress. A site visit will occur in the next 2-3 weeks.

f. Sewer Regulations (Wright-Pierce) – Workshop

Dennis Dievert explained that he completed another review of the Sewer Regulations and provided the latest version to Marek Kement. He outlined and led a discussion on the four remaining items to be addressed: final review by the Town Attorney, final review by the WPCA, sewer detail updates by Wright-Pierce, and I-C.S.D.D. zone fees.

Marek Kement provided insight on the current and realistic sewer use fees for the I-C.S.D.D. zone. John Perrotti provided background information on the current fees in this zone and recommended consulting with the Town Attorney if fee changes are going to be considered. All WPCA members agreed.

Marek Kement will provide the latest Sewer Regulations draft to the Town Attorney and all WPCA members for review ahead of the April meeting.

g. T&D Recycling, LLC - Beneficial Reuse of Biosolids

Marek Kement reported that he has received a draft Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) from T&D Recycling, LLC, which is currently under review by both him and the Town Attorney. He noted that once the review is complete and all comments have been addressed, T&D Recycling, LLC will return to the WPCA for a decision on the pilot test.

IX. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

a. Regular Meeting Minutes – February 26, 2026

There were no changes to the meeting minutes of the February 26, 2026 Regular Meeting.

b. Special Meeting Minutes – March 10, 2026

There were no changes to the meeting minutes of the March 10, 2026 Special Meeting.

MOTION by John Perrotti to approve the meeting minutes of the February 26, 2026 Regular Meeting and March 10, 2026 Special Meeting as presented.

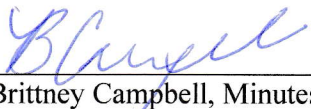
SECONDED by Melissa Norback. All in favor, the motion **PASSED** unanimously.

X. ADJOURNMENT

MOTION by Robert Behrer to adjourn the meeting at 7:27 p.m.

SECONDED by John Perrotti. All in favor, the motion **PASSED** unanimously.

Attest:



Brittney Campbell, Minutes Clerk

March 26, 2026

WPCA meeting

Plant Superintendent Report

1 Violation to report

Avg flow 4.49MGD High 11.5MGD

March has been difficult at Cheshire WWTP due to sustained high flows. We have been flowing over our design inflow of 4.0mgd for the enter month of March. This makes it extremely hard to treat efficiently. And not have permit violations.

On 3-18 we had a TSS violation of 85mg/L Permit limit is 50mg/l ... the very next day we were down to 12mg/L. this is due to flows peaking at 11MGD the day prior.

The way I/I affects permit compliance is % removal and overall lbs. of TN and TP. (verbally explain)

To be dealing with these flows and only have 1 minor TSS violation is also something for us to be proud of. Between operational changes and attention to detail we keep things moving no matter.

We started our Phosphorus season equipment Monday 3/23. It takes time to fully saturate the system with Alum/polymer to get the reaction needed. All disc filter units cleaned prior to start up. All chemical pumps tested, mixers, motors. We ran our temporary alum line to CC I am hoping to rent a mini to dig up the broken PVC alum line to repair it April/may once the ground is less wet. Our first result is 0.6mg/l TP which is trending in the right direction.

Trojan UV will be out Monday next week to begin installing our new UV bulbs.

Sewer Blockage 3-25. Soderman way. (verbal report)

All ops are Great if we could just get a break from the I/I and some sunshine!

Respectfully,

David Milano Plant Superintendent