Special Meeting of the OLSBA BOG on Wednesday, May 1, 2025 at 7PM via Zoom.

1. A quorum was verified by a roll call and the meeting was called to order by **Paul Yellen** at 7:04PM

BOG Officers:

Paul Yellen (Paul Y), President
Jack Thomas (Jack T), Vice President
Rob Cappellucci (Rob C), Treasurer
Tracey Cappellucci(Tracey C), Secretary

BOG Members:

Tim Larson (**Tim L**)
MaryKate Reynolds (**MaryKate R**)
Greg Symon (**Greg S**)
Jay Moynihan(**Jay M**)
Bob Palazzo (**Bob P**)

- There were 46 attendees at the start of the Zoom call
- 2. WPCA update and review of virtual meeting with DEEP held on 4/29/2025
 - 1. Jay M. provided an update on the WPCA meeting with Deep, discussing the shared project, financing, and the potential for additional funding.
 - 2. 15 million forgivable loan is still in place
 - 3. State made it clear that there will be no additional funding; their focus was on the importance of our vote happening on May 24th
 - 4. State agreed to join at least one of our upcoming informational meetings
 - 5. Bond Resolution will be posted to the website
- 3. Discussion and vote on Supplemental Bond Resolution as approved by the WPCA
 - 1. Bond Resolution Template shared with the BOG; the bond resolution authorizes the potential expenditure of funds but it doesn't require that the funds be expended, certain conditions have to be met which are clearly outlined in the resolution
 - 2. Total projected project cost is \$22,700,000; supplemental amount to approve is \$13.000.000.
 - 3. Discussion of an administrative team/expenses for the duration of the project

Motion to approve Supplemental Bond Resolution Document and supplemental amount of \$13,000,000 made by Tim L., seconded by Greg S.

Roll Call: YES-All No-None Abstain: None

Motion Passes

- 4. Discussion and vote on Informational meetings for residents
 - WPCA is planning 2 public informational meetings; May 20th will be the in-person meeting from 6-9pm at the Old Lyme Public Library, May 13th will be a zoom, DEEP will participate in at least one of these meetings
 - Meetings will include an overview of the project, discussion with DEEP, review of storm water documents, review of spreadsheets, opportunity for questions from residents

 Tim L. suggests visual aids like cross-section diagrams of the completed roads to help residents understand the project be available at the in-person meeting Motion to approve the 2 WPCA informational meetings made by Greg S., seconded by Scott R.

Roll Call: YES- All NO-none Abstain: none

Motion Passes

- 5. Discussion and possible vote on correspondence to residents, forms and procedures for vote on May 24, 2025
 - 1. Paul has been working with attorney on completing the Proxy Form and voting procedures; documents have been shared with the BOG
 - 2. Discussion of procedure to get all of the documents out to the residents; email and physical mailing to the address on record

Motion made by Tim L. to formally mail voting documents to address on record, post meeting notice and documents to the website, and email to current email address on file, seconded by Mary Kate.

Roll Call: YES-All NO-None Abstain: None

Motion Passes

- 6. Any other items to be motioned onto the agenda
 - 1. No items
- 7. Public Comments-43 members at this time
 - Paul G urging forms to be emailed ASAP; suggests the instructions should include that either a BOG member or the Secretary should be listed as a designated proxy vote handler
 - 2. Proxy voting form must be mailed to the person chosen by residents to deliver their proxy on May 24th
 - 3. Martin Merritt confirms voting instructions will include 1 vote per household and consequences if multiple owners of one property show up to cast multiple votes. Suggestions include the cost spreadsheet the WPCA prepared to be included in the mailing. This spreadsheet will be posted to the website, does not need to be included in the mailing of documents needed for the vote on the 24th. The spreadsheet will be discussed at the informational meetings.
 - **4.** After discussion, BOG confirms the mailing will include: the bond resolution, proxy form, and proxy instruction form.
 - 5. Martin Merritt created a letter to send to DEEP with financial thoughts/concerns that he shared with the WPCA and BOG. Jay Moynihan is not in favor of sending this letter from the WPCA. Jay has asked DEEP if they would meet again with the WPCA for more clarification on certain issues. Rob C. suggests timing is everything, this is not appropriate time to send this letter. Greg S. agrees.
 - **6.** Martin Merritt proposes timing isn't an issue, suggests laws are being broken if this project is not legally economically feasible. Martin suggests sending the letter to DEEP asap in hopes that they will provide answers to the questions in the letter before the 2 upcoming informational meetings in order to provide as much information to the homeowners as possible. The BOG and the WPCA chairman will

not endorse the letter composed by Martin Merritt, but the letter can be sent from an individual resident if they so wish.

8. Adjournment: Greg S. made motion to adjourn/MaryKate seconded

Roll Call: YES – All NO- none Abstain- none

Motion Passes

The meeting was adjourned at 9:15pm.