## WATER POLLUTION CONTROL AUTHORITY PUBLIC HEARING RECORD OF PROPOSED 2023-2024 BUDGET SEPTEMBER 19, 2023 CHESTER TOWN HALL

The hearing was convened at 7:00PM WPCA members present were: Sam Chorches, John Chillock, Mark Riggio and Ed Meehan

Ed Meehan reported notice of hearing was published in the Valley Courier on, September 14,2023, posted in the Town Clerk's office, Town wide email and WPCA's website. No members of the public were present.

Members reviewed the draft CT. Water Company (CWC) data discussed at their September 12<sup>th</sup> workshop meeting and increased the EDU count for the 29 Commercial-Mixed Use parcels by one (1) for a total 107 EDUs. The 24 Residential parcels EDU count remained at 42. One new parcel at 2 North Main Street recently connected to the sanitary system. CWC data indicates total water consumption during the previous four quarters, September 2022 through August 2023, was 853,844 gallons, this is a 5 percent increase of 41,113 gallons over 2021 -2022 consumption of 813,731 gallons. The higher water consumption is attributed to Mixed- Use Commercial parcels which increased from 99 EDUs to 107 EDUs.

WPCA members agreed that the increased EDUs is a revenue opportunity not to increase fees in 2023 -2024 budget and use less of the fund balance. The proposed fees to be discussed and voted on at the regular meeting are \$750 for Residential and \$800 for Commercial- Mixed Use customers.

The public hearing closed at 7:20PM Submitted, Ed Meehan, Chairman

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