

**MINUTES OF THE CHESHIRE TOWN COUNCIL PUBLIC HEARING, 7:00 P.M.
TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 17, 2019 (RESCHEDULED FROM SEPTEMBER 11, 2019)
IN COUNCIL CHAMBERS, 84 SOUTH MAIN STREET, CHESHIRE CT 06410**

Present

Chairman Robert J. Oris Jr.; Vice-Chairman Paul A. Bowman; Council Members – Jeffrey Falk, Patti Flynn-Harris, Sylvia Nichols, Thomas Ruocco, Timothy Slocum, Peter Talbot, David Veleber:

Staff: Town Manager Sean Kimball; Asst. Town Manager Arnett Talbot; Finance Director James Jaskot; Town Attorney Patti Boye-Williams; Fire Chief Jack Casner; PW Director George Noewatne; Human Services Director Michelle Piccerillo; Chesprocott Director Maura Esposito.

Dept. of Education – COO Vincent Masciana; BOE Chair Kathy Hallen

Public Hearing Subject Matter

**To consider an Illicit Discharge and
Connection Stormwater Ordinance (new)**

1. ROLL CALL

The clerk called the roll and a quorum was determined to be present.

2. EXPLANATION OF HEARING PROCEDURE AND AGENDA

3. READING OF LEGAL NOTICE

The clerk read the legal notice into the record.

4. PRESENTATION ON HEARING SUBJECT

Ms. Flynn-Harris stated that this proposed ordinance comes from the State of Connecticut and deals with regulations of non-storm water discharge to the storm water drainage system.

Attorney Boye-Williams explained this ordinance comes through the State of Connecticut DEEP which has a general permit (MS-4), with methods for controlling pollutants into the municipal storm sewer system and for compliance with NPDES permit process. This general permit required each MS-4 to determine and eliminate illicit discharges, non-storm water discharge, with limited exceptions. The town must have legal authority to impose fines and penalties to anyone creating illicit discharge. The proposed ordinance is based on a model ordinance based upon UConn NEMO program. The model ordinance is not included in the proposed ordinance. The proposed ordinance does include all of the requirements.

It was stated by Ms. Flynn-Harris that this was handed to the town, and Cheshire should have adopted the ordinance a year ago. This is the first stage of regulations to come down from the program.

Attorney Boye-Williams advised there will be future ordinances for construction and

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post-construction, through the Planning and Zoning Commission.

5. QUESTIONS AT THE DISCRETION OF THE CHAIR.
None.
6. PROPONENTS AND OPPONENTS STATEMENTS ALTERNATELY
EXPRESSED.
None.
7. REBUTTAL AT THE DISCRETION OF THE CHAIR.
None.
8. ADJOURNMENT

Chairman Oris closed the public hearing.

Attest:

Marilyn W. Milton, Clerk