



## **Wastewater Hearing Authority Minutes**

**Meeting: June 14, 2018**

**Attendees:** Dr. Edward Thackston, Dr. Robert Wingfield, Jr., Ruthie Cherry, Jay Tant, Tara Ladd, Metro Attorney, Jim Snyder, Marty Mast, Ted Taylor, Andy Welch, Chase Block, James Pogue, Amoasi Micah, Teresa Lyons-Oten, Susan Muritto, Court Reporter

- I. Meeting called order at 1:36 p.m.** – Dr. Thackston called the meeting to order.
- II. Review and Approval of MWS Wastewater Authority Minutes – March 8, 2018** – Motion was made and minutes were unanimously approved. **Presenter: Dr. Edward Thackston, MWS WWHA Chairperson**
- III. Show Cause Hearing – South Street Restaurant, 907 20<sup>th</sup> Ave. S., Nashville, TN** – This restaurant did not have representation at this Show Cause Hearing, and hearing proceeded as directed by Dr. Edward Thackston, MWS WWHA Chairperson. Issue: Restaurant does not have all required fixtures on grease control.

Issue: South Street Restaurant does not have all required fixtures on grease control. Numerous non-compliance notices of violation have been issued to the address of the business. The following timeline shows steps taken:

- September 2017 – In discussion with management regarding upgrade of GCE.
- December 2017 - Written response from restaurant that the first plumber could not figure out the issue, so they would be hiring another plumber.
- February 2018 – MWS sent a letter requesting an update. No response from restaurant, and an escalation of penalty. No response escalated an order to appear at a Show Cause Hearing with the MWS WWHA on June 14, 2018.
- Notices of Violation and escalation were sent via certified mail.
- May 22, 2018 - The Administrative Order to appear before the MWS WWHA was hand-delivered. Signature from their management was received in person by Andy Welch, MWS and Amoasi Micah, MWS.
- It is the opinion of the Authority that a violation has occurred. The owners/management did not appear, although notification to appear was hand-delivered. Notification of the violation will be resent to the owner of building, the manager of establishment and the property owner. Authority unanimously agreed to issue violation. **Presenter: Andy Welch, MWS**



- IV. MWS Semi-Annual Report #65- October 7, 2017-March 31, 2018** – Marty Mast, MWS, informed the Authority of the total number of violations sent out were four (4) letters, and the four violations were issued to three different companies, one company Holdrite, which has now changed their name to Reliance Worldwide Corporation. There were some industry violations, but did not see anything serious. MWS put two companies on a compliance schedule (Quality Plating and Tradebe Environmental Services). There were no violations from the treatment plants. Overall, we have had fewer violations than we have seen in a long time. **Presenter: Marty Mast, MWS**
- V. Update on Tradebe (Industrial Facility) Environmental Services – Order & Assessment Pending** – Tradebe is a centralized waste treater in the Rivergate area. The Dry Creek Wastewater Treatment Plant would be the recipient of this treated wastewater. In the beginning of the year, MWS had issues involving metals, organics and upper high levels of oil and grease being discharged in the sewer that resulted in violations. Oil and grease is not technically a violation, but it can cause interference, pass-through hindrance, in the sewer system, so MWS is actively working with Tradebe to reduce levels. MWS is currently working on an order and assessment to present to the Authority to address these types of violations. **Presenter: James (AI) Pogue, MWS**
- VI. FOG Enforcement Update –**
- Sperry’s Restaurant – Response needed from MWS
  - Logan’s Roadhouse – 1500 gallon GI installed
  - Olive Garden – Resolved
  - Dragon Phoenix – Installation overdue-follow-up pending
  - Richland Country Club – 1500 gallon GI installed
  - China Spring – 1000 gallon GI installed
  - South Street – No new communication since December 2017. Summoned to Show Cause hearing
  - Miss Saigon – Resolved
  - K & S World Market – Resolved
  - Marco Polo’s – Installation delayed pending insurance claim and consideration of relocation of business
  - Pie Wagon – Out of Business
  - Midtown Café – NOV pending
  - Athens Family Restaurant – No change
  - Sonobama Japanese Restaurant – Correspondence from MS remains pending
  - Las Cazuelas Mexican Grill – Resolved



- Ed's Fish & Pizza House – Meeting pending with MWS
- Cock of the Walk – MWS still trying to arrange meeting
- Scoreboard Bar & Grill – NOV pending
- Kroger's (143 McGavock Pk) – Resolved
- Calypso Café – Met with owner, line televised. Pending review of video by MWS
- Sub Depot – Resolved. Installation now corrected
- John A's – Resolved – Certification received
- Lucky Bamboo – Resolved
- KFC & Long John Silvers – No response – NOV response was due 5/28/18. Escalation if no response by 6/28/18
- Wendell Smith's Restaurant – Investigation. No change
- Union Station Hotel Banquet Kitchen – Installation of additional grease trap pending
- Double Tree Hotel – In response to NOV submitted – written request to extend deadline for compliance schedule. Was due June 1, 2018, and no response as yet
- Best Wok Chinese – GI installation pending – no date yet

It is noted that Dr. Thackston was impressed with how many issues have been resolved, but he is also concerned about the number of restaurants who have not responded to MWS.

One additional restaurant, but not on list provided to the Authority members:

- Shoney Restaurant – Interstate Drive – New interceptor **Presenter: Andy Welch, MWS**

**VII. Other Business** – The Director of MWS would like to extend to the Authority an invitation to serve another term October 1, 2018. Names will be presented to the Mayor for consideration. Authority members accepted the invitation. **Presenter: Jim Snyder, MWS**

**VIII. Meeting was adjourned at 3:30 p.m. - Dr. Edward Thackston, Chairperson**

**Contribution**