

WATER POLLUTION CONTROL AUTHORITY MINUTES

**Canoe Brook Senior Center, 11 Cherry Hill Road, Branford, CT
Regular Meeting
Tuesday, January 8, 2019**

Chairman Mark Winik called the meeting to order at 7:08 P.M.
Quorum was not present

Roll Call: Chairman Mark Winik, David Steinhardt, and Yvette Larrieu
Also Present: Engineer John Hoefflerle, Attorney Peter Berdon

Absent: Superintendent Dan Gregory, Joseph Herget, Mike Tamsin, Robert Imperato,
and Ryan Sullivan

Due to lack of quorum, the meeting will be a discussion only.

Atty. Peter Berdon presented Town's Sewer Ordinance (Chapter 204)
There are higher levels of issues that you should address and we can make changes.
The larger issues we have talked about are in district vs. out of district pricing.
Ms. Plaziak had started to look into this, and now Mr. Hoefflerle, will find some of her findings.
The third high level process is how to differentiate commercial vs residential properties.
Commercial uses a formula, and residential is a flat rate.
Mr. Winik said we will have to define this.
Mr. Berdon stated we will have to determine what is appropriate.
Mr. Winik wants the commission to go through the ordinance methodically, with no deadline, going through a few priorities/ issues at a time.
The next meeting they can recap, and continue to move through the process.
Mr. Berdon suggests, once the higher level issues are addressed, Mr. Gregory has already reviewed the technical things within it, it will be put in a package, with the FOG ordinances also being put into the package.
Mr. Berdon reminded the commission that this is a Town Ordinance, and the Commission has no authority to make changes to this ordinance. The Commission can make suggestions, but the RTM has to approve this.

Mr. Berdon also answered a question regarding the Attorney fees. These fees are billed into the connection fees.

Mr. Hoefflerle discussed the proposed changes to the ordinance, the commission can hit on a couple of major policy changes, the WPCA can have a lot of input. As corrections are made we should reach out to First Selectman Cosgrove, before going to the RTM for adoption. This ordinance was adopted in 1965.

New districts and extensions of sewers pose the question of how to calculate the charges.
The Assessors have the formulas.

We have a new building on Rte. 139. The flow has already been approved, but we are waiting on the Assessor's office to get the formula for us to get the sewer price.

The meeting was closed/adjourned at 7:25 P.M.

Respectfully submitted,

Camille Linke
Clerk