

**WATER POLLUTION CONTROL AUTHORITY  
MINUTES  
REGULAR MEETING  
ZOOM MEETING  
TUESDAY, MAY 11, 2021 7:00 P.M.**

Chairman Mark Winik called the meeting to order at 7:00 P.M.

**Roll Call:** Chairman Mark Winik, Robert Imperato, Yvette Larrieu, Ryan Sullivan, David Steinhardt, and Joseph Herget

**Also Present:** Superintendent Brian Devlin, Engineer John Hoefflerle, and Attorney Peter Berdon

**Absent:** Mike Tamsin

**Approval of Minutes – April 13, 2021**

A motion was made by Ms. Larrieu to approve the minutes as presented, and seconded by Mr. Sullivan. Mr. Steinhardt abstained due to absence from this meeting.

Motion carries.

**Presentation by Coastal Vulnerability Ad Hoc Working Group**

This Coastal Vulnerability Ad Hoc Working Group was unable to attend this meeting this evening, so we will add them to the June agenda.

**211 Thimble Island (Thimbleberry) holding tank pumpout request**

Mr. Peter Kusterer, the owner of this property is present. He has come before the board before. He is requesting that he pay the \$130.00 a year for the Town to pump out his property when they do the weekly pump outs for other properties.

A motion was made by Mr. Imperato, to table this item, with no action being taken this evening, and consider this on the agenda for the June meeting, for pump outs being fair for mixed use properties, and seconded by Ms. Larrieu.

**Discussion of Sewer Use Fee – June Public Hearing to set rate**

Mr. Hoefflerle explains we are looking at a Public Hearing in June when we typically set the sewer use fee. In the past it was set at \$130.00 per EDU.

It is recommended that \$170.00 per EDU would give us a surplus the first year, and a smaller surplus the second year. There will be additional increases in future years.

A motion was made to recommend \$170.00 per EDU for the next fiscal year by Mr. Steinhardt, and seconded by Ms. Larrieu to go before the public hearing. Motion carries unanimously.

### **Other Business**

Mr. Imperato would like to follow up with Attorney Berdon on how we move forward or have further discussion on district connections in the future for the costs to be equal. Attorney Berdon said you should take a look at the ability to go back and readjust the district connection price. That will require a bit of research on our part to see if we can do that legally. Then you can have a discussion with the First Selectman, and go to the RTM.

Attorney Berdon will set up a meeting with the First Selectman.

### **Reports:**

#### **Superintendent Brian Devlin**

Mr. Devlin said the plant is running well. Septic receiving revenue for April was \$66,861.35.

The plant started working on the gravity belt thickener. Rebuilding the bar rack.

Ordered generator for plant.

There was a forcemain issue on Maple Street with a section of line having to be changed out.

The Central Pump Station is down to one pump. We are working with a private company to repair the additional pump. This is a crucial Pump Station.

The Nitrogen numbers are good.

#### **Town Engineer – John Hoefflerle**

Mr. Hoefflerle said regarding the order to connect to sewer on Riverview Ave., 84 Riverview was given an extension.

He sent a certified letter to 86-88 to connect to remind the owner. Have not heard back. The property is for sale. Will be in touch with Attorney Peter Berdon to move forward.

#### **WPCA Attorney – Perter Berdon**

Attorney Berdon said this month he completed the sewer access agreements at 17-21 North Branford Road, as well as 26 Cherry Street.

He's also been engaged to review the assessment amount, which you already approved to connect for that project, for 375 East Main Street by the property developer. One complicating factor is there is a commercial property, located on that property that is not part of that property, and will be entitled to a credit for assessment.

Also have an access agreement for Parkside Village project on South Montowese St.

In addition he was contacted by Alex Vigliotti's Attorney regarding assessment of Summit Place, prior to agreement.

Mr. Hoefflerle said regarding Summit Place, the previous approval required them to install impellers in Burban pump station to increase capacity. They will likely be required to provide additional mitigation measures with any new development.

**Adjournment:**

A motion was made to adjourn the meeting by Mr. Sullivan and seconded by Mr. Imperato at 8:12 PM. Motion carries unanimously

Respectfully submitted,

Camille Linke, Clerk