

**WATER POLLUTION CONTROL AUTHORITY
MINUTES
COMMUNITY HOUSE, 46 CHURCH STREET, BRANFORD, CT
REGULAR MEETING
TUESDAY, May 9, 2023 7:00 P.M.**

David Steinhardt will be acting chairman in Chairman Mark Winik's absence.
Mr. Steinhardt called the meeting to order at 7:02 P.M.

Roll Call: Acting Chairman David Steinhardt, Justin Rossetti, Yvette Larrieu, Mike Tamsin, and Kurt Uihlein

Also Present: Superintendent Brian Devlin, Assistant Engineer Jennifer Acquino, and Attorney Peter Berdon

Absent: Chairman Mark Winik, and Chris DiAdamo

Approval of Minutes – 3/14/2023

A motion was made to approve the minutes as presented by Mr. Uihlein, and seconded by Mr. Rossetti. Ms. Larrieu, and Mr. Tamsin abstain.
Motion carries.

Correspondence:

No Correspondence

Approval of Vouchers

- a. #35466 - \$1,068.75
- b. #37132- \$431.92

A motion was made to approve the vouchers by Mr. Tamsin, and seconded by Ms. Larrieu.
Motion carries unanimously.

Sewer Assessment Abatement – 32 Acorn Road (Town-Owned parcel)

Tax Collector Robert Imperato is present to explain a certificate of foreclosure on the property at 32 Acorn Road, is on land record from 2008. The Town now owns this property. There were back taxes from 1993 to 2007 plus interest accrued totaling almost \$113,000.
In 2008, the tax office should have removed these taxes.
There was a structure there which was taken down.

Attorney Berdon said this was an accounting issue. The Town owns this property. This was a strict foreclosure. No sale occurred.

The tax collector's office has to clear these tax assessor's bills from their books.

A motion was made to abate the assessment fees, and associated interest on sewer assessment liens from 1993 to 2007, as of 5/9/2023 by Ms. Larrieu, and seconded by Mr. Uihlein. Motion carries unanimously.

Sewer Access

- a. 19-25 Fairlawn Ave. (preliminary approval rec'd 3/14/23)

Mr. Jim Pretti, Criscuolo Engineering, explains in March, there was preliminary approval for a force main, gravity sewer at Fairlawn Avenue. There are failing septic systems there. Assistant Engineer Jennifer Aquino stated the Engineering Department did receive the application. They reviewed the plans and had several comments, and some changes that were made to it. Specifically types of pipes, where laterals were being left due to no curbing on this road. They wanted to make sure they were far enough as possible so nobody drove over them. They are now satisfied with the changes and conditions on the plan as well. There are four additional properties that would be serviced, as well as the four subject to the application. There are provisions for each of those structures to be connected to the sewer pressure main as well.

A motion was made to approve sewer access at 19-25 Fairlawn Ave. subject to Engineering Department approval and sewer access agreement by Mr. Uihlein and seconded by Mr. Tamsin. Motion carries unanimously.

Account Transfer:

FROM: Utilities	21043030 544100	(\$75,000.00)
TO: Equipment	21043030 579250	\$50,000.00
TO: Repair/Maintenance	21043030 544300	\$25,000.00

Mr. Devlin states, he is moving money from the Utility Account, not Chemical Account. The money is needed for Hosley Pump Station, #1 pump is on order. This is for the #2 pump. Pumps are 14 years old. From the New Equipment Account, there is a mixer at the facility that is 14 years old. He will get a new mixer by Homa.

A motion was made to approve the account transfer by Ms. Larrieu, and seconded by Mr. Uihlein. Motion carries unanimously.

Reports:

Superintendent

Superintendent Brian Devlin

Sewage processed 3.1

Septic waste processed 790,400

Septic receiving revenues \$51,566.55

Plant operations. Changed oil and serviced the aeration blowers.

The roofing company did 95% of the repair. We had a flat roof replaced on the solids processing building at the Plant. We are just waiting for the drip edge to complete this job. The current roof was 40 years old, and leaking 30 or 40 feet from the main switch gear of the whole facility.

In July I will need roof work done at Bradley. That is leaking. There are tarps on it. Will get the roofing company to look at that.

The collection systems pumped out holding tanks.

Replaced force main in wet well for #1 pump at Hosley Pump Station.

Installed new pump at Johnson's Point Pump Station.

Three of the road crew employees went to traffic training in Guilford.

A pump was installed at Foote Park ball field. Every year at this time we install a pump to pump out the issues with water there.

Cleaned Clark Pump Station. Repaired manhole on Rolling Hill Rd. They cleaned easements.

Repaired a control cabinet at Lanphers Cove Seasonal Pump Station.

Camera 11825 feet of sewer line and jetted 6589 feet of sewer line.

Our consent order is 10 miles a year, so we are in good shape.

Conversations on resiliency. The surveyors have been coming by the stations. Equipment was dropped off at the facility. Gave keys to the surveyors, with the list, and they are going out to the stations to make their marks.

WPCA Attorney

Attorney Peter Berdon completed one sewer access agreement, and has two more to complete.

Adjournment:

A motion was made to adjourn the meeting by Ms. Larrieu, and seconded by Mr. Rossetti. Motion carries unanimously at 7:38 P.M.

Respectfully submitted,

Camille Linke, Clerk