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WATER POLLUTION CONTROL AUTHORITY
REGULAR MEETING
JANUARY 14, 2010

I. CALL TO ORDER

Chairman Philip Richardson called the regular meeting of the Water Pollution Control Authority to order at 7:30 p.m. at the Simsbury Water Pollution Control Facility Conference Room, 36 Drake Hill Road, Simsbury. The following members were present: Gary Faraci, Paul Gilmore Ed Kelly and Michael Park. Also present were: James Clifton, Superintendent WPCF; Kendra Dahlquist, Clerk. Richard Sawitzke, Town Engineer, and other interested parties. Philip Burton and Warren Coe were absent.

II. APPEAL FOR WAIVER OF FCC FOR COMMUNITY FARM OF SIMSBURY

Tim Goodwin, Executive Director of Community Farm of Simsbury (aka Town Farm) on Wolcott Road gave a synopsis of their change of function, away from dairy farming toward more educational and hands-on programs for children and adults, thus their need for additional restroom facilities and a request for waiver of connection fees. After a discussion of these changes, prior capacity allocations, ownership and funding sources,

Mr. Gilmore moved and Mr. Faraci seconded a motion to waive the FCC for intended creation of new restroom facilities at the site, noting the particular facts and circumstances of a non-profit, operating at a Town property that is already connected to and a current user of the sewer: motion passed.

III. MINUTES: December 10, 2009

Mr. Gilmore moved, and Mr. Park seconded a motion to approve the December 10, 2009 minutes as presented: Mr. Kelly abstained, motion passed.

IV. STATUS REPORT ON SEWER PROJECTS: BUSHY HILL ROAD

Mr. Sawitzke reported that 212 Bushy Hill Rd had been included in prior (1998) hearings and construction plans and an easement for service in that area. He will develop specific figures for current construction of an extension and assessment costs that also may include 210 Bushy Hill Road. Another property on Bushy Hill Road near Sidney Way is now interested in being included in that recent extension project. Funding for Pheasant Lane sewers and possible additional projects will be included in the FY 2010-2011 budget and two assessment hearings were requested for completed projects.

Mr. Faraci moved and Mr Gilmore seconded two motions for assessment hearings at WPCA regular meetings during 2010: the first for Bushy Hill Road at Sidney Way in February, and the second for High Hill Circle in April: motion passed.

V. FY 2010-2011 BUDGET DRAFT

Mr. Clifton presented a detailed review of the preliminary 2010-11 budget, including increases due to parts and equipment ageing, economies in utility usage, and use of the reserve fund for replacement of the Tunxis pump station. Consensus was that the sewer user fee should be maintained at \$320/EDU. After a lengthy discussion, no other decisions were taken.

VI. WATER TREATMENT FACILITY REPORT

Mr. Clifton reported that all permit parameters were met in December with two minor exceptions. South Pump Station upgrade is complete, and design for Tunxis and Wolcott Pump Stations is ongoing, with the latter being placed on the DEP Priority list for funding. Water use-based billing for commercial properties will be evaluated when data becomes available.

VII. ADJOURNMENT

Mr. Kelly moved, and Mr. Gilmore seconded a motion to adjourn the meeting: motion passed.

Meeting adjourned at 8:45 pm

Philip Richardson, Chairman

