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WATER POLLUTION CONTROL AUTHORITY REGULAR MEETING February 9, 2012

1. CALL TO ORDER

Chairman Philip Richardson called the regular meeting of the Water Pollution Control Authority to order at 7:31 p.m. in the Simsbury Water Pollution Control Facility Conference Room, 36 Drake Hill Road, Simsbury. The following members were present: Michael Park, Loren Shoemaker, Jay Sheehan and Warren Coe. Also present were: James Clifton, WPC Superintendent; Richard Sawitzke, Town Engineer; Nancy Haase, Board of Selectmen Liaison; Alison Sturgeon, Clerk; as well as other interested parties.

- 2. SAFETY BRIEF Although there were no people from the public in attendance at the meeting, Mr. Richardson gave a safety brief noting that people should avoid leaving their electronic devices in their cigarette lighters overnight to charge as this could lead to a fire.
- Mr. Sheehan made a motion to move Item 3 next on the agenda. Dr. Park seconded the motion, which was unanimously approved.
- 3. CANTON WPCA PAUL DOMBROWSKI, WOODARD & CURRAN
- Mr. Sheehan recused himself from all decision making regarding this issue because he is employed at Woodard & Curran.
- Mr. Dombrowski distributed written comments as well as the draft agreement, which the WPCA discussed in detail, and made several changes throughout the document. It was agreed that Mr. Dombrowski would make the changes requested and have them reviewed by Canton. After review, he would forward the document to Mr. Clifton who would pass them to Simsbury Town Hall with a request for review by the Simsbury Town Attorney and final discuss and negotiation between the Town Attorneys for Simsbury and Canton. Among the issues to be reviewed will be language regarding easements; when the first

payment shall be issued by Canton; and the option of Avon billing Canton.

4. ASSESSMENT HEARING FOR 99 DEER PARK ROAD & 212 BUSHY HILL ROAD

LEGAL NOTICE
TOWN OF SIMSBURY
WATER POLLUTION CONTROL AUTHORITY

A public hearing on the proposed sewer assessments for 99 Deer Park Road, Weatogue, Connecticut and 212 Bushy Hill Road, Simsbury, Connecticut will be held at the Simsbury Water Pollution Control Facility, 36 Drake Hill Road, Simsbury, CT on Thursday, February 9, 2012 at 7:30 p.m. Copies of the proposed assessments are on file in the Town Clerk's Office. This will be the one and only hearing of the Authority on these assessments. Any affected property owner may appear and be heard.

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Mr. Richardson read the legal notice. There was no one from the public in attendance at the hearing.

Mr. Shoemaker made a motion to close the public hearing. Dr. Park seconded the motion, which was unanimously approved.

Mr. Sawitzke stated that both of these projects went well. The final cost for these projects is in line with what was estimated. He believes that both homeowners will be including the Facility Connection Charge of \$4,095 in the assessment payments.

Mr. Sheehan made a motion to approve the sewer assessments for 99 Deer Park Road – Project No. SP56-10/11 and 212 Bushy Hill Road Sewer – Project No. SP55-10/11. Dr. Park seconded the motion, which was unanimously approved.

5. STATUS REPORT ON SEWER EXTENSION PROJECTS, ETC. – R. SAWITZKE

Mr. Sawitzke stated that all previous projects have been completed. There are 3 new extension projects that will be looked at, including Russell Lane, Seminary Road (on the Firetown Road end) and Longview Drive. He stated that he will be developing budgetary figures for these projects.

6. TREATMENT FACILITY REPORT – J. CLIFTON

Mr. Clifton stated that all permit requirements for January were met. He stated 5 people applied for the Operator III position; 3 passed the exam. A conditional offer will be extended to an excellent candidate. Regarding the Farmington River bank tree cutting, the arborist continues to wait for frost to minimize impacts to the stream bank. Mr. Clifton stated that he

did mail the permit application to the Army Corps of Engineers for emergency repairs; a permit is needed before reimbursement can be received from FEMA. The TV inspection bid was won by Aries Industries, although minor details are still being discussed. The bid was advertized for the combination vacuum/flusher truck; bids will be opened March 19th. Regarding the monthly data, septage is down because they are doing extensive piping and rearrangements on the system.

7. CORRESPONDENCE

Mr. Clifton discussed and reviewed the correspondence, including the draft annual report of the Water Pollution Control Facility; a letter regarding Dorset Crossing, Building #2, sewer capacity analysis; and a Tighe & Bond 2011 Connecticut Sewer Rate Survey.

8. JANUARY 12, 2012 MEETING MINUTES - POSSIBLE APPROVAL

Mr. Shoemaker made a motion to approve the January 12, 2012 minutes as written. Dr. Park seconded the motion, which was unanimously approved.

OTHER BUSINESS

The Authority discussed the proposed Intergovernmental charge, which is an expense item to show costs related to services provided by the Town to the Sewer Authority. It was recently decided to increase this proposed charge from 2% to 5%. Ms. Haase stated that the Authority can state their concerns during the budget workshop process.

10. ADJOURN

Mr. Coe made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 8:49 p.m. Mr. Sheehan seconded the motion, which was unanimously approved.

Philip Richardson, Chairman