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WATER POLLUTION CONTROL AUTHORITY
REGULAR MEETING
FEBRUARY 11, 2010

I. CALL TO ORDER

Vice Chairman Philip Richardson called the meeting of the Water Pollution Control Authority to order at 7:35 p.m. at the Water Pollution Control Facility Conference Room, 36 Drake Hill Road, Simsbury. The following members were also present: Warren Coe, Gary Faraci, and Michael Park. Paul Gilmore arrived at 8:00 pm. Also present were: James Clifton, Superintendent WPCF, Richard Sawitzke, Town Engineer, Kendra Dahlquist, Clerk, and other parties. Phil Burton and Ed Kelly were absent.

II. PUBLIC HEARING

Assessment Hearing for Bushy Hill Road at Sidney Way Extension

Mr. Faraci moved and Mr. Coe seconded a motion to open a public hearing: motion passed.

Mr. Richardson opened the hearing by reading the Legal Notice, as follows:

LEGAL NOTICE
TOWN OF SIMSBURY
WATER POLLUTION CONTROL AUTHORITY

There will be a public hearing on the proposed sewer assessments for 298, 299, 311 & 316 Bushy Hill Road in connection with the Bushy Hill Road sewer extension project on Thursday, February 11, 2010, at 7:30 pm in the conference room at the Water Pollution Control Facility, 36 Drake Hill Road, Simsbury. Copies of the proposed assessments are on file at the Town Clerk's Office. All affected property owners may appear and be heard.

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Mr. Richardson noted no affected property owners were present and asked Mr

Sawitzke to review the assessments. Mr. Sawitzke detailed the reasons for the variations in construction costs and consequent assessments for each property, noting costs were close to original estimates of 2006.

A motion was made by Mr. Coe and seconded by Mr. Park to close the public hearing: motion passed.

A motion was made by Mr. Coe and seconded by Mr. Faraci to approve the assessments as written and to include corrections noted: motion passed.

III. APPEAL OF FCC FOR MILL AT 2T

The appellant for the mill at 2t had requested discussion of the appeal be heard at next month's meeting.

IV. STATUS REPORTS ON SEWER EXTENSION PROJECTS

Mr. Sawitzke reviewed various projects noting High Hill Circle was scheduled for an assessment hearing in April, Bushy Hill Road will probably see an additional property hook up and a short extension on Sand Hill Road is in preliminary stages.

V. MINUTES: January 14, 2010

A motion was made by Mr. Park and seconded by Mr. Faraci to approve the minutes of the January 14, 2010 meeting as presented. Mr. Coe abstained, motion passed.

VI. BILLING CHANGES FOR NON-RESIDENTIAL USERS

Mr. Clifton requested policy guidance on ways to proceed with the expected shift in fee burden from low to high volume users. After discussion, Mr. Park offered to work with Mr. Clifton and Mr. Sawitzke to evaluate the implementation of proposed changes.

VII. ADMINISTRATIVE FEE CHANGES TO AVON AND GRANBY

Mr. Clifton reported a query from the Board of Selectman regarding administrative fees charged to Avon and Granby for their use of the Simsbury facility, how those fees were calculated, and whether or not there should be a budget line item allocation. After discussion, Mr. Sawitzke suggested he review the various ways administrative costs and benefits may be calculated and report his findings to the Authority next month.

VIII. WATER TREATMENT FACILITY REPORT

Mr. Clifton reported that the plant ran well in January, with a slight

procedural change in sample collection implemented in response to a DEP inspection. There was a bypass on Hopmeadow Street with minor incursion into the surroundings. Total Nitrogen figures were very good, with flows lower than normal. Septage income has dropped significantly.

A motion was made by Mr. Faraci and seconded by Mr. Gilmore to adjourn the meeting: motion passed. The meeting adjourned at 8:28 pm.

Philip Richardson, Chairman