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WATER POLLUTION CONTROL AUTHORITY
REGULAR MEETING
September 9, 2010

I. CALL TO ORDER

Chairman Philip Richardson called the regular meeting of the Water Pollution Control Authority to order at 7:32 p.m. at the Simsbury Water Pollution Control Facility Conference Room, 36 Drake Hill Road, Simsbury. The following members were present: Warren Coe, Ed Kelly, and Michael Park. Also present were: James Clifton, Superintendent; Kendra Dahlquist, Clerk, and other interested parties. Paul Gilmore and Loren Shoemaker were absent. Mr. Faraci resigned effective June 16, 2010.

II. APPOINTMENTS/RESIGNATIONS

Chairman Richardson noted the resignation of Gary Faraci, effective June 16, 2010, and asked staff to check on the status of a replacement.

III. MINUTES: June 10 and July 1, 2010

Mr. Kelly moved and Mr. Coe seconded a motion to approve the minutes of June 10, 2010 as submitted; Mr. Park abstained, motion passed. Mr. Park moved and Mr. Coe seconded a motion to approve the July 1, 2010 minutes as submitted: Mr. Kelly abstained, motion passed.

IV. APPEAL OF SEWER USE FEE: 969 HOPMEADOW

The owner of 969 Hopmeadow appealed for reduction of his FY 2010-11 sewer use bill based on evidence of his reduced water usage. Chairman Richardson responded by noting the change in billing that is planned for FY2011-12, from a formula-based to a water use-based system, and expressed his view that it would be inappropriate for the Authority to undertake any ad hoc bill adjustments while the billing changes were in transition, and until the authority decides exactly how the policy will be implemented and when. He asked for additional comment and Mr. Kelly and others supported that

viewpoint.

V. OTHER BUSINESS; 75-77 WEST STREET; HOP BROOK AT SIMSBURY FCC

Mark Deming, Chairman of the Simsbury Economic Development Commission asked for clarification of the FCC charges for the proposed multi-unit housing development, and how FCC calculations are made. A discussion followed detailing what the \$4095 fee supports, and that it is assessed "per rentable unit" of housing, and is the same per unit charge whether for single or multi-family units.

VI. ENGINEER'S REPORT

Mr. Sawitzke was not in attendance. Mr. Clifton noted Pheasant Lane bids had been received and a contractor had been chosen with expected start date later in the fall.

VII. SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT

Mr. Clifton reported all permit parameters were met in May, June and July. August had two residential backups and a release of solids at the facility due to malfunctioning pumps and alarm systems which has been corrected. Tunxis Pump Station design is complete with slight revision needed and Wolcott Pump Station is shovel-ready when funding is secured. Maintenance management is intense and ongoing. Nitrogen levels are doing well.

VIII. OTHER BUSINESS: CORRESPONDENCE

The town received, \$12,229, from the Nitrogen Trading Credit program for 2009.

67 Laurel Lane: Per a request from the homeowner, Mr. Clifton must attend an FOI hearing scheduled for October 5, 2010.

138-142 Hopmeadow Street; a sewer capacity analysis was completed for a proposed Dunkin Donuts located at a current restaurant site.

IX. SEWER BILLING POLICY

Chairman Richardson expressed his view of the importance of communicating the proposed billing changes to all non-residential customers. After a discussion of the range of financial impact and alternative methods of implementation, he offered to develop a draft communication and

implementation plan, in counsel with other members, for the Authority to review.

IX. ADJOURNMENT

Mr. Coe moved, and Mr. Kelly seconded a motion to adjourn the meeting: motion passed. Meeting adjourned at 8:47 pm

Philip Richardson, Chairman