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WATER POLLUTION CONTROL AUTHORITY
REGULAR MEETING
November 10, 2010

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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, Michael Park, and Paul Gilmore. Loren Shoemaker was absent. Also present were: James Clifton, Superintendent; Kendra Dahlquist, Clerk, and other interested parties. Richard Sawitzke, Town Engineer, arrived at 7:40

1. MINUTES: October 14, 2010

Mr. Kelly moved and Mr. Gilmore seconded a motion to approve the minutes of October 14, 2010 as submitted; motion passed.

2. SEWER BILLING POLICY: NON-RESIDENTIAL

Completion of a mailing to all non-residential customers informing them of the changes to a water use -based billing system, effective July 2011, is expected by the end of the week.

Chairman Richardson requested a list of those customers who might require personal contact to discuss their billing increase.

3. CORRESPONDENCE:

Letters from the Chamber of Commerce and a chemistry class were appreciative of the very informative facility tours and written material provided. Details of the DEP grease trap program and the grease trap waiver for 991 Hopmeadow were discussed.

4. ENGINEER'S REPORT

Bushy Hill Road north of Sidney Way will be completed in November or December, and Bushy Hill Road north of Sand Hill Road will be bid next summer. Reconstruction of the old portions of the Massaco Street line is planned for next year. Mr. Sawitzke noted Pheasant Lane is completed and recommended acceptance.

Mr. Gilmore moved and Mr. Park seconded a motion to accept Pheasant Lane into the public sewer system; motion passed.

5. TREATMENT FACILITY REPORT

Mr. Clifton reported all permit parameters were met in October. Tunxis Pump Station has been bid, but a successful bidder has not yet been chosen due to unresolved extenuating circumstances with the low bidder. Tariffville School odor problems appear to have been mitigated by modified venting. Correspondence related to Landworks Development on West Street prompted an extensive discussion of fees, absorption rates, future load projections, and classes of residential units not yet identified. There was a general consensus that any suggested change in connection fees would require specific data from flow measurements at comparable projects, and a compelling argument as to why such changes should be considered. Wolcott Pump Station plans are also final, and shelved until funding is available. A flusher vacuum truck is being considered in the FY 2011-12 budget to provide emergency redundancy and allow cleaning operations that cannot be performed safely with the current equipment. A draft of the FY2011-12 budget will be available by the December 9 meeting.

6. OTHER BUSINESS: Holiday Party

After a brief discussion there was a consensus that the December 9 meeting will start at 6:30 to accommodate an early adjournment to a local restaurant for a holiday gathering.

7. ADJOURNMENT

Mr. Gilmore moved, and Mr. Park seconded a motion to adjourn the meeting: motion passed. Meeting adjourned at 8:42 pm

Philip Richardson, Chairman