



# Town of Simsbury

WATER POLLUTION CONTROL  
36 DRAKE HILL ROAD  
SIMSBURY, CONNECTICUT 06070

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In Person / Virtual Meeting – Conference Room, Water Pollution Control Facility

## Simsbury Water Pollution Control Authority Regular Meeting

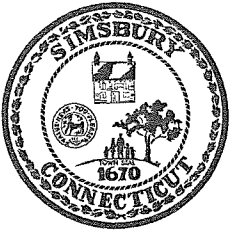
Thursday  
June 9, 2022  
7:00 p.m.

36 Drake Hill Road  
Simsbury, CT 06070  
WPC Facility

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### A G E N D A

- 1) Safety Brief
- 2) CONTINUED PUBLIC HEARING – Industrial Use Permit Registration
- 3) Pine Hill Homeowners Association Sewer Upgrade – Possibly Set Public Hearing
- 4) 3-6 Eagle Lane Sewer Extension – Possibly Set Public Hearing
- 5) Belden Forest Court Condominiums – Continued Discussion/Update
- 6) Status Report on Sewer Extension Projects, etc.
- 7) Treatment Facility Report
- 8) Correspondence
- 9) April and May Meeting Minutes – Possible Approval
- 10) Adjourn



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## LEGAL NOTICE TOWN OF SIMSBURY WATER POLLUTION CONTROL AUTHORITY

The Water Pollution Control Authority will hold a continuation of a public hearing at their meeting on Thursday, June 9, 2022, in the Conference Room at the Simsbury Water Pollution Control Facility, 36 Drake Hill Road, Simsbury, CT at 7:00 p.m. The meeting can be watched live and will be rebroadcast on Comcast Channels 96, 1090, Frontier Channel 6071 and LIVE streamed or on-demand at [www.simsburytv.org](http://www.simsburytv.org). The purpose of this hearing is to review the proposal to set the fee structure for the Industrial Use Permit Registration. Affected property/business owners shall have an opportunity to be heard concerning the proposed fee structure.

WATER POLLUTION CONTROL AUTHORITY  
Paul Gilmore, Chairman

## Sturgeon Alison

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**From:** Ryan B <ryanrbarry@gmail.com>  
**Sent:** Tuesday, May 10, 2022 1:32 AM  
**To:** Sturgeon Alison  
**Cc:** Piazza Anthony; Amanda Barry  
**Subject:** 3 Eagle Lane - Sanitary Sewer Request

Alison,

I am writing to request that 3 Eagle Lane be considered by the town of Simsbury to be added to the sanitary sewer system. We are located approximately 300 feet from the sewer main on Ox Yoke Drive. Please take into consideration that our septic system is no longer functioning as it was designed and could fail at any time. I appreciate your assistance in this matter.

Respectfully,

Ryan R. Barry  
3 Eagle Lane

## Sturgeon Alison

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**From:** Ryan B <ryanrbarry@gmail.com>  
**Sent:** Tuesday, May 10, 2022 1:21 AM  
**To:** Sturgeon Alison  
**Cc:** Piazza Anthony  
**Subject:** 3 Eagle Lane - Request to be added to Agenda

Allison,

Thank you for speaking with me today about the possibility of connecting 3 Eagle Lane to Simsbury sanitary sewer. I must start by sharing how grateful I was about your effort to help me today. It was very refreshing to receive that level of service. Thanks for that.

As we discussed, I moved to 3 Eagle Lane this week with my wife and three young children. We love Simsbury already and are thrilled to be in our "forever home" where we will raise our children.

As I mentioned, the Septic system we inherited is original to the home and is failing. The test stated that leach/drain fields are not accepting water. The test did not officially "fail" per public health standards - and the system still works as long as we minimize our usage - but it is well beyond its intended and practical life. It is believed that the outlet pipe (pipe from tank to distribution box) may even be concave or somewhat collapsed. What I am spotlighting here is that I need to make a decision, now, as to what we are going to do.

Although we were not totally in the dark about the age and condition of the system prior to the purchase of our property, we didn't realize that the soil has signs of high seasonal water table and the only type of system that will be approved for replacement is a very costly above grade system. The minimum cost is approximately \$32,000 - which would be the least expensive configuration and the price goes up from there depending on material and location of the leach field. The main problem we are having is that this above grade or at grade leach field is essentially a giant platea sand mound about 2 feet off the ground, 26 feet wide and 115 feet long. This is a massive disruption to our landscaping and general use of our flat property. We are also limited as to where it can be placed due to setback limitations and the locations of mature oak trees on the property - which we want to avoid destroying/cutting down. To make the situation even less desirable, the installer who quoted us made it clear that it will not be easy to grow grass on this giant mound of sand. If you have ever tried to grow grass on deep sand it is very very difficult due to the lack of water retention for the grass roots.

It is because of all of this above said information that we are requesting the town seriously consider putting our proposal into an information gathering stage so we can explore the options and potential costs. I understand I will need to get the other 3 property owners on board eventually but having moved in a few days ago I have not had the opportunity to approach them about all of this. I plan to tomorrow. With that said, I spoke to Michael today and also left Tony a voicemail. Michael was kind enough to look up any septic permits or improvements on the FVHD website and found that #4 Eagle Lane and #6 Eagle Lane appear to have not had their septic system replaced at all or in the past 20 years at least. We still need to confirm these initial findings.

I think it is fair to say that at least one of these owners will be willing to at least discuss the potential for sewer seeing as their septic system is likely at the end of its life and will also be contending with the same soil profile found on our lot.

All of this combined with the fact that the town is planning to pave Ox Yoke and Eagle this spring and the potential for our system to completely fail while the board is on summer break warrants the inclusion of my request for this Thursday's meeting. This is to get the ball rolling before it is too late. I still plan to get one of the three neighbors to email you asap but time is of the essence it seems. I am very concerned we will be left with a failed septic system and

stuck with our only option being the very costly and disruptive permanent sand mound septic system dissecting our property.

Once again, thank you so much for your assistance in this stressful and important matter. You and Michael have been more than helpful already. Feel free to share this email with whomever you need to in order to start this process. I will be at the meeting Thursday evening.

Respectfully,

Ryan R. Barry  
3 Eagle Lane

## Sturgeon Alison

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**From:** Ryan B <ryanbarry@gmail.com>  
**Sent:** Friday, May 27, 2022 6:46 AM  
**To:** Sturgeon Alison  
**Cc:** Piazza Anthony; Tom Roy  
**Subject:** Eagle Lane - Sewer

Allison,

The meeting on Wednesday morning regarding adding Simsbury WPC sewer to Eagle Lane was very positive. It seemed that all 4 residents were on board with getting the final numbers and moving towards being a yes to the sewer project. At least two were a definite 'yes' - assuming the price isn't a high departure from the current initial estimates we discussed at the meeting Wednesday.

Tom and Tony were very helpful and informative. Tom asked me to email you that we have a lot of serious interest in this project.

Please let me know what the next step is and how I can help.

Respectfully,

Ryan Barry - 3 Eagle Lane

TOWN SEWER EXTENSION - PROGRESS

Request and Project Review						Design				Construction												
Initial Request		Included Addresses	Measurement / Interest Card Sent			Preliminary Design/ Cost estimate	Public Hearing Date	Approved/ Denied	Project Manager	Comments	Survey	Design	ROW	Bid	Award	Begin	End	Total Cost	Comments	Bid Value	Linear FT Installed	Cost Per Linear FT
Address	Date		Date	Y	N																	
Woodland Street Area	8/22/2019	22-85 Woodland Street 552-643 Hopmeadow Street	12/19/2019	X		Design In Progress	3/12/2020	Approved					6/1/2020									
Pine Hill Homeowner's Association	9/1/2021	1-11 Stebbins Brook Lane 1-12 Middle Lane 1-12 Woods Lane 1-3 South Road 33-39 Pine Hill Drive	5/12/2022	X																		
Sand Hill Road	4/4/2022	19-52 Sand Hill Road	5/25/2022																			
Eagle Lane	5/10/2022	3-6 Eagle Lane		X																		

s: WPCA / Sewer Extension Spreadsheet

DEVELOPER INSTALLED SEWER PROJECTS - PROGRESS

Development / Address	Capacity Review				Developer's Agreement		TR-16 DEEP Approval	Permitting/Inspections				WPCA Acceptance	Comments
	Application Sent	Application Rec'd	Results Mailed	FCC Calculation	Public	Private	Date Rec'd	Initial Permit	Video Review	Air Test	Manhole Inspection	Date Accepted	
Cambridge Court Hoskins Road	9/30/2015	9/30/2016	9/30/2016		8/9/2017				10/14/2019	6/5/2019	Phase I 3/4/2020		Approved by Zoning
Griswold Place Powder Forest (Phase III)	4/10/2015			\$73,710 (18 Single Family Units)		2/8/2021			10/13/2021				
Ridge at Talcott Mtn 200 Hopmeadow St 36 Iron Horse Blvd		5/26/2016	6/8/2016	\$1,429,810 (estimated)		12/6/2017			Partially Complete	12/20/2019			final pavement needs to be completed.



# Town of Simsbury Water Pollution Control

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## Memorandum

**To:** Water Pollution Control Authority

**From:** Tony Piazza

**Date:** June 9, 2022

**Re:** May 2022 Summary Report

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**Permit Compliance:** All permit requirements were met for the month of May.

**Plant Operations:**

Staff has completed the work with AECOM for the update of the Water Pollution Control Plan, the Water Pollution Control Facilities Plan, analysis of the protective berm with the updated flood plain mapping, and an update on the phosphorous removal plan. The plan has been reviewed by Town staff. The Water Pollution Control plan requires the signature of the WOCA Chairman and must be submitted to the State.

**Sewer Lining**

This year's work is scheduled to be completed in July. This will complete the lining of the Tariffville section of town.

Staff conducted 3 plant tours with students from Westminster School's environmental science class

Summary Data from the Monthly Operating Report

PARAMETER	UNITS	Apr-22	May-22	Past 6 Months	
Average Daily Flow	mgd	2.27	2.00	2.10	
Peak Daily flow	mgd	6.60	4.60	5.63	
Total Septage Received	gallons	505,150	552,700	398,179	
Population Equivalent	@0.17 lbBOD/capita/d	30,625	26,884	26,031	
BOD	Influent	mg/L	275	274	255
	Final Effluent	mg/L	2	3	5
	Percent Removal	%	99	99	98.22
TSS	Influent	mg/L	307	298	340
	Final Effluent	mg/L	3	3	5
	Percent Removal	%	99	99	98.58
TN	Influent	mg/L	40.0	41.0	37.5
	Final Effluent	mg/L	2.4	1.9	2.4
	Percent Removal	%	94	95	93.40
P	Influent, Ortho P	mg/L	2.71	3.54	2.28
	Effluent, Ortho P	mg/L	0.74	0.99	0.65
	Influent, Total P	mg/L	5.16	5.93	4.87
	Effluent, Total P	mg/L	1.01	1.40	0.86
	Effluent, Total P	lb (46.65 lb/d TMDL)	19.18	23.32	15.24
	Percent Removal	%	80	76	80.50
Aeration	MLSS	mg/L	5409	5839	4723
	SVI	ml/g	163	155	181
	DO, Avg. High	mg/L	0.2	0.1	0.2
	DO, Avg. Low	mg/L	0.2	0.09	0.2
	F/M ratio		0.14	0.11	0.13
	Organic loading	lb BOD/700 ft3	47	41	40
	Solids production	lb sldg/lb BOD rem	0.61	0.88	0.84
Total Sludge Trucked	dry ton	47	62	56	

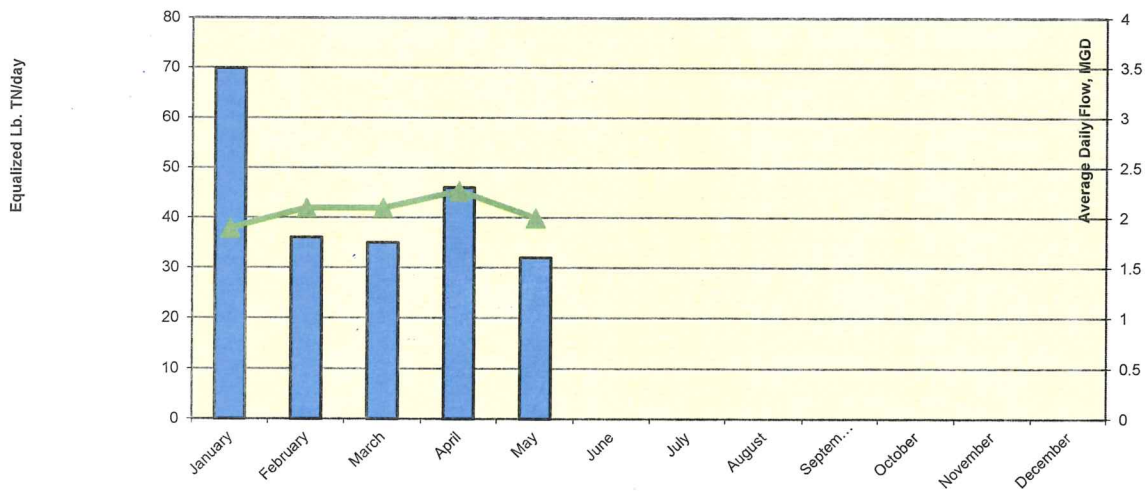
Month	Average Pounds TN/day	Excess Pounds TN/day	TN TMDL	Average Pounds Phos/day	TP TMDL	Monthly Avg Flow
January	69.9	-37	107	3	46.95	1.90
February	36	-71	107	16	46.95	2.10
March	35	-72	107	15	46.95	2.10
April	46	-61	107	19	46.95	2.27
May	32	-75	107	23	46.95	2.00
June		-107	107		46.95	
July		-107	107		46.95	
August		-107	107		46.95	
September		-107	107		46.95	
October		-107	107		46.95	
November		-107	107		46.95	
December		-107	107		46.95	
Annual Average to date	44	-63		15		

Estimated Annual Cost @	\$ 1.36	per equivalent lb TN/day
Amount due Simsbury	\$5,649	

TMDL	
Year	TN lb/d
2020	107

Equivalent pounds = excess x 0.18

Simsbury Effluent Total Nitrogen





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May 17, 2022

Mr. and Mrs. Brown  
30 Sand Hill Road  
Weatogue, CT 06089

RE: Proposed Sewer Extension – Sand Hill Road, Weatogue

Dear Property Owner:

The Town of Simsbury Water Pollution Control will be holding a public informational meeting regarding a proposed sewer extension on Sand Hill Road, Weatogue. The meeting will be held on Thursday, June 2, at 5:30 p.m. at the Simsbury Water Pollution Control Facility, 36 Drake Hill Road, Simsbury.

The purpose of this meeting is to give residents a general knowledge of the process regarding the proposed sewer extension. This is intended to help residents get a better understanding of the process including design and construction. Residents will have the opportunity to ask questions during the meeting.

Please feel free to reach out to me at (860) 658-1380 with any questions.

Sincerely,

Alison Sturgeon  
Administrative Secretary

cc: Tom Roy, Director of Public Works  
Anthony Piazza, WPC Superintendent  
Paul Gilmore, WPCA Chairman



# Town of Simsbury

WATER POLLUTION CONTROL  
36 Drake Hill Road Simsbury, Connecticut 06070

May 31, 2022

Peter A. Rose  
President  
Talcott View Development Co., Inc.  
11 Lordship Rd,  
East Granby, CT 06026

Re: 34 Hopmeadow Street – Talcott Mountain Self Storage - Facility Connection Charge (FCC)

Dear Mr. Rose:

The FCC was established to collect funds from new or expanded sewer users for the additional sewer and treatment infrastructure that their flows require. An FCC is required for all new sewer and change of use services in the Town of Simsbury.

The Water Pollution Control Authority of the Town of Simsbury has completed an FCC review for the new facilities based on the building plans and use. The total FCC for the new building, as calculated, is \$4,095.00.

Typically, this fee is collected when a structure is connected to the collection system; however, it will be due on or before the date that the Certificate of Occupancy is signed by the WPCA.

Additionally, please note that the Code of the Town of Simsbury requires all laterals to be a minimum of six (6) inches in diameter.

If you have any questions, please call (860) 658-3258.

Sincerely,

Anthony Piazza  
Superintendent  
Simsbury WPCF

cc:

P. Gilmore, Chairman, WPCA  
T. Roy, Director of Public Works  
G. McGregor, Director of Planning & Development  
H. Miga, Building Official

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**WATER POLLUTION CONTROL AUTHORITY  
REGULAR MEETING  
APRIL 14, 2022  
“Subject to Vote of Approval”**

**1. CALL TO ORDER**

Jay Sheehan called the regular meeting of the Water Pollution Control Authority to order at 7:05 p.m. via a virtual Zoom meeting. The following members were present: Michael Park, Lucian Dragulski and Jacques Brignac. Also present were Anthony Piazza, Superintendent and Alison Sturgeon, Clerk.

**2. SAFETY BRIEF** – Mr. Piazza stated to be aware that tick season has started.

**3. SEWER USE FEES FOR FY 2022/23 – CONTINUED DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLY SET PUBLIC HEARING DATE**

Mr. Piazza stated he is not recommending that sewer user rates or the facility connection charge be increased for the upcoming fiscal year. It is Town staff's recommendation to increase the construction permit fee from \$100 to \$150, which has not been increased since 2004. They are also recommending an increase to the labor rate from \$40/hour to \$50/hour.

Mr. Sheehan questioned how many permits the WPC typically gets each year. Mr. Piazza stated that he would estimate that number to be 70 permits.

Regarding the Fats, Oils and Grease registration, Mr. Piazza stated that the FOG registration would be for any Class 3 or 4 restaurant in the Town of Simsbury. The Town is required to check the maintenance logs for cleaning of their grease traps. To cover processing and inspection costs, staff is recommending a \$50 biannual fee. Mr. Sheehan questioned if this would be every two years. Mr. Piazza stated that this is correct.

Regarding the Industrial Permit registration, Mr. Piazza stated that back in 2020, the State turned over enforcement of these permits to the Town. The State charged \$6,250 for discharge of anything less than 25,000 gpd; for non-process discharges, the fee was \$3,125. He reviewed what the surrounding Towns are currently or will soon be charging. Mr. Piazza stated that staff is recommending charging a \$100 registration fee for all industrial users. For flows between 1,000-5,000 gpd a permit fee of \$500 plus the \$100 registration fee could be charged. For anything over 5,000 gpd, a permit fee of \$1,000 plus the \$100 registration fee could be charged. There are approximately 60 industrial users in the Town of Simsbury. There are only 6 companies that would be over the 5,000 gpd. He reviewed the types of industrial companies that would be included. The Town of Simsbury does not have the right to charge an Avon or Granby customer. He would suggest charging each Town instead of the customer, which is the same way that sewer use fees in those Towns are collected by Simsbury. A public hearing will be needed to put these fees into place.

*Dr. Park made a motion to set the public hearing for determining the Industrial Permit Registration and the Fats, Oil and Grease Registration fees. Mr. Dragulski seconded the motion, which was unanimously approved.*

*Mr. Dragulski made a motion to amend Dr. Park's motion to set the public hearing for their May 12, 2022 meeting to set the Industrial Permit Registration and the Fats, Oil and Grease Registration fees. Dr. Park seconded the motion, which was unanimously approved.*

**4. 44 SAND HILL ROAD, WEATOGUE – DISCUSSION OF POSSIBLE SEWER EXTENSION**

Mr. Piazza showed the Authority members an aerial map of the current sewers on Knoll Lane, Tallwood Lane, Deer Park and Croft Lane. There is a section of Sand Hill Road that is not currently sewered. He stated that if the Authority wanted to move forward, Town staff would hold an informational meeting with the approximately 14 homeowners in this area.

Dr. Park questioned how many of the neighbors were already interested. Mr. Piazza stated that two neighbors have expressed interest.

There was consensus among the Authority members to move forward with the informational meeting.

**5. STATUS REPORT ON SEWER EXTENSION PROJECTS, ETC.**

Mr. Piazza stated that the Pine Hill Homeowner's Association will be having a vote on May 6<sup>th</sup> to see if they want to proceed with the sewer replacement/upgrade project. Also, the contractor for the Woodland Street upgrade continues to wait on the State permit for crossing the abandoned railroad. He stated that they will be starting the landscaping restoration tomorrow.

**6. TREATMENT FACILITY REPORT**

Mr. Piazza stated that all permit requirements were met for the month of March. He stated that staff is continuing their work with AECOM for the update of the Water Pollution Control Plan, the Water Pollution Control Facilities Plan, analysis of the protective berm with the updated flood plain mapping, and an update on the phosphorous removal plan. Corrections are being made to the draft copy of the plan and will be provided to the Board for the next meeting.

Mr. Piazza stated that the UV disinfection system has been placed in service for the season. They have had several minor issues with equipment failures; staff has responded well to ensure no effluent violations have occurred. Regarding sewer lining, staff has compiled a list of lines remaining in the Tariffville section of Town as well as several lines along Hopmeadow St. The Tunxis Pump Station force main will be part of this project. This year's work will complete the three-year bid with Granite Inliner.

Regarding staffing, Mr. Piazza stated that interviews have been completed for the open operator positions; background checks are being completed. Both applicants are expected to start in the coming weeks.

**7. CORRESPONDENCE**

The Authority members reviewed correspondence regarding the Nitrogen Credit Exchange Program. Simsbury will be receiving \$5,413 from this program.

**8. MARCH MEETING MINUTES – POSSIBLE APPROVAL**

*Mr. Dragulski made a motion to approve the March 10, 2022 meeting minutes as written. Mr. Brignac seconded the motion, which was approved. Dr. Park abstained.*

**9. ADJOURN**

*Dr. Park made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 7:33 p.m. Mr. Dragulski seconded the motion, which was unanimously approved.*

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Jay Sheehan, Vice-Chairman

**WATER POLLUTION CONTROL AUTHORITY  
REGULAR MEETING  
MAY 12, 2022  
“Subject to Vote of Approval”**

**1. CALL TO ORDER**

Paul Gilmore called the regular meeting of the Water Pollution Control Authority to order at 7:05 p.m. via a hybrid of in-person and virtual Zoom meeting. The following members were present: Michael Park, Ed Kelly and Jacques Brignac. Also present were Anthony Piazza, Superintendent, Tom Roy, Director of Public Works and Alison Sturgeon, Clerk.

**2. SAFETY BRIEF** – Mr. Gilmore stated that as the warmer weather approaches, he cautioned everyone about lawn mowers on inclines. Riding mowers can easily tip and lead to dire consequences.

**3. PUBLIC HEARING – INDUSTRIAL USE PERMIT REGISTRATION AND FATS, OIL AND GREASE REGISTRATION FEES**

Mr. Gilmore read the legal notice.

**LEGAL NOTICE  
TOWN OF SIMSBURY  
WATER POLLUTION CONTROL AUTHORITY**

The Water Pollution Control Authority will hold a public hearing at their meeting on Thursday, May 12, 2022, in the Main Meeting Room at the Simsbury Town Hall, 933 Hopmeadow Street, Simsbury, CT at 7:00 p.m. The meeting can be watched live and will be rebroadcast on Comcast Channels 96, 1090, Frontier Channel 6071 and LIVE streamed or on-demand at [www.simsburytv.org](http://www.simsburytv.org). The purpose of this hearing is to review the proposal to set the fee structure for the Industrial Use Permit Registration and the Fats, Oil and Grease (FOG) Registration. Affected property/business owners shall have an opportunity to be heard concerning the proposed fee structure.

**WATER POLLUTION CONTROL AUTHORITY  
Paul Gilmore, Chairman**

***Mr. Kelly made a motion to open the public hearing. Dr. Park seconded the motion, which was unanimously approved.***

Regarding the Fats, Oil and Grease (FOG) program, Mr. Piazza stated that this is the general permit for discharge of wastewater associated with food service establishments. The State permit came into effect in 2015 and is due to expire in 2025. In the past, the Town did have a management program in place with no financial assistance. The process is more cumbersome since they are now required to maintain cleaning logs, grease disposal logs and inspection reports. Mr. Piazza stated that Town staff is recommending a bi-annual fee of \$50 for all Class 3 and 4 restaurants in Simsbury, which would cover the inspector’s costs overseeing this program. He believes it will take approximately 1-2 hours per restaurant. The plan is to have the restaurants send in their document. If they do not, the inspector will then be sent out for additional inspections.

Mr. Piazza stated that the draft FOG Policy has been reviewed by the Town Attorney. He stated that the WPCA does not need to vote on the policy tonight. This hearing is for setting the fee.

Mr. Gilmore questioned how many restaurants were in Simsbury. Mr. Piazza stated that there are approximately 85 Class 3 and 4 restaurants that will be a part of this program.

***Mr. Kelly made a motion to approve a \$50 bi-annual fee for Class 3 and 4 restaurants in Simsbury with respect to the Fats, Oil and Grease management program. Mr. Brignac seconded the motion, which was unanimously approved.***



Regarding the general permit for discharge of industrial users, Mr. Piazza stated that the State of Connecticut reissued this permit in October of 2020 and it is due to expire in October 2025. The State managed this program prior to this time; their permit fees ranged between \$3,500 - \$6,500, depending on flows. The State has now put the onus on towns to manage this program. The program has also since expanded to include auto repair shops; car washes; public pools; manufacturing; distilleries and breweries. They have also reduced the flow requirements for registration purposes to include any industrial user that discharges more than 1,000 gpd.

Mr. Piazza stated that Town staff is recommending any industrial user with less and 1,000 gpd be charged a registration fee of \$100; a user between 1,000 – 5,000 gpd be charged the \$100 registration fee as well as a \$500 permit fee; and any user above 5,000 gpd be charged the \$100 registration fee as well as a \$1,000 permit fee. He stated that the reasoning behind separating the users above 1,000 gpd and 5,000 gpd is because of the sampling requirements.

Mr. Kelly questioned if the registration fee of \$100 would be a one-time fee. Mr. Piazza stated that the registration fee would be good for a 5-year period, which is the length of the permit. Mr. Kelly stated his concern regarding the substantial decrease in fees from when the State was issuing these permits. He questioned if Town staff felt comfortable that these new proposed fees would cover their costs. Mr. Piazza stated that costs would be covered at these rates.

Mr. Piazza stated that the Town of Simsbury does not have the authority to bill a user in another town, although they do have the right to bill that town for those users. Mr. Kelly questioned if these types of fees were covered in the Intertown Agreements with Avon and Granby. Mr. Piazza stated that the agreements are vague concerning this.

Mr. Gilmore stated that the WPCA has a duty to treat the same classes of dischargers in Avon and Granby as they do in Simsbury. While they may not be able to charge them, their respective towns can assess them and Simsbury can recover their costs by billing the Towns so Simsbury users will not be subsidizing the businesses in other towns. Mr. Roy stated that their goal is to work with Avon, Granby and the Town Attorney to come up with the appropriate mechanism to charge these users.

Mr. Kelly questioned which town would be responsible to inspect the users in Avon and Granby. Mr. Piazza stated that the Town of Simsbury would be responsible to monitor these users.

Mr. Piazza read a letter into the record from Larry Baril, Avon Town Engineer.

Mr. Piazza reminded the Authority members that they are setting and voting on the fee structure for the Town of Simsbury and they have a right to charge those same fees to Avon and Granby users based on the permit. At the same time, Avon and Granby will need to set their own policies and fee structures for users in their towns.

***Mr. Kelly made a motion to continue the public hearing, regarding the Miscellaneous Industrial Use permits until the next regularly scheduled meeting. Dr. Park seconded the motion, which was unanimously approved.***

Regarding the WPC fee schedule, Mr. Piazza recommended that the residential rate of \$360 per EDU and non-residential rate of \$4.56 per CCF remain the same. They are recommending that the construction permit fee, which has not had an increase since 2004, be increase from \$100 to \$150 in order to cover the administrative and inspection costs. He stated that Town staff is also recommending that labor costs be increase from \$40/hour to \$50/hour; and increase vehicle fees from \$50/hour to \$60/hour.

There was a short discussion regarding the vehicle fees and rising gas prices.

***Mr. Brignac made a motion to keep the residential sewer rates at \$360/EDU and non-residential sewer user rates at \$4.56/CCF for FY 2022/23 with no increase; to increase construction permit fees from \$100 to \$150; to increase labor fees from \$40/hour to \$50/hour; and to increase vehicle fees from \$50/hour to \$60/hour. Mr. Kelly seconded the motion, which was unanimously approved.***

**4. BELDEN FOREST COURT CONDOMINIUMS - DISCUSSION**

Mr. Piazza stated that Belden Forest Court Condominiums, which are individually owned, are being charged by water use. Prior to 2011, they were being charged as individual units. He stated that WPC policy states that because they are individually owned, they should be getting charged \$360 per residential unit. Town staff is requesting permission to charge each individual unit. He stated that they have been receiving an approximate \$12,000 discount since 2011.

Mr. Kelly stated that this will come as a shock to the people that live there. Mr. Gilmore stated that there may have been some rationale for switching these condominiums from EDUs to water usage. He does not feel it would be fair to change their sewer fees without notice. The WPCA has a public duty to give them an opportunity to be heard, as well as advanced notice prior to any possible increase of this magnitude.

Mr. Roy suggested that Mr. Piazza reach out to Belden Forest Court Condominiums prior to the next meeting.

**5. STATUS REPORT ON SEWER EXTENSION PROJECTS, ETC.**

Regarding the Hopmeadow Street / Woodland Street sewer upgrade project, Mr. Piazza stated that the contractor did get delayed. They will be starting work inside Dyno Nobel on Monday. They will then continue work at the north end of Woodland Street. They did some hydroseeding on Hopmeadow Street; they will then be doing some sidewalk repair on the south end of Woodland Street.

Mr. Piazza stated that the Pine Hill Homeowner's Association voted to move ahead with their sewer upgrade project. A public hearing will need to be held for this project.

Regarding the Ridge at Talcott Mountain, Mr. Piazza stated that they changed the design of the commercial building. They have been notified of the increase in their FCC because of this change. Also, the developer is still in the preliminary design phase for the Simscrest lot on Iron Horse Boulevard.

**6. TREATMENT FACILITY REPORT**

Mr. Piazza stated that all permit requirements were met for the month of April. He stated that staff continues to work with AECOM for the update of the Water Pollution Control Plan, the Water Pollution Control Facilities Plan, analysis of the protective berm with the updated flood plain mapping, and an update on the phosphorous removal plan. Corrections are being made to the draft copy of the plan and it will be provided once complete.

Mr. Piazza stated that on April 26<sup>th</sup>, the influent sampler failed resulting in a lost scheduled sample day. The sampler was replaced and all testing was rescheduled for later in the week. A report was filed with the State DEEP on the issue

Regarding sewer lining, Mr. Piazza stated that staff has provided a list of lines to be completed in the Tariffville section of Town as well as several lines along Hopmeadow Street. The Tunxis Pump Station force main will be part of this project as well. This year's work is scheduled to be completed in July.

Mr. Piazza stated that Michael Morin and Lee Schmidt have started as plant operators and bring skill sets that will be a benefit to the WPCF staff.

**7. CORRESPONDENCE – None.**

**8. APRIL MEETING MINUTES – POSSIBLE APPROVAL**

*Dr. Park made a motion to approve the April 14, 2022 meeting minutes as written. Mr. Brignac seconded the motion. Dr. Park and Mr. Brignac voted in favor. Mr. Gilmore and Mr. Kelly abstained.*

The April meeting minutes will be put on the agenda for next month's meeting.

9. ADJOURN

*Mr. Kelly made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 7:57 p.m. Dr. Park seconded the motion, which was unanimously approved.*

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Paul Gilmore, Chairman