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WATER POLLUTION CONTROL AUTHORITY
REGULAR MEETING
JANUARY 13, 2011

I. CALL TO ORDER

Chairman Philip Richardson called the regular meeting of the Water Pollution Control Authority to order at 8:00 p.m. at the Simsbury Water Pollution Control Facility Conference Room, 36 Drake Hill Road, Simsbury. The following members were present: Paul Gilmore, Michael Park and Loren Shoemaker. Also present were: James Clifton, Superintendent Water Pollution Control Facility and Kendra Dahlquist, Clerk. Ed Kelly and Warren Coe were absent. Mark Deming arrived at 8:12 pm.

II. MINUTES: December 9, 2010

Mr. Shoemaker moved, and Mr. Park seconded a motion to approve the December 10, 2010 minutes as presented, motion passed.

III. CORRESPONDENCE

Chairman Richardson and Mr. Shoemaker reported on their meeting with the Board of Finance and reviewed the explanations they provided relevant to long-term planning and large capital expenditures associated with the WPCA Reserve Fund.

There was a brief discussion of a proposed new staff position to enhance collection system maintenance.

IV. OTHER BUSINESS: FCC CHARGES FOR NEW DEVELOPMENT

Mark Deming, representing the interest of the Economic Development Commission, was seeking clarification from the WPCA on ways the FCC

might be adjusted or revised to provide financial accommodation for developers of new residential construction in the Town Center under the new PAD regulation. After a lengthy discussion, reiterating the “revenue neutral” position of the Authority, and its commitment to maintain transparency and consistency in the levying of fees, members of the Authority agreed to meet with the EDC to discuss the matter further.

V. SEWER PROJECTS: NO REPORT

VI. FY 2010-2011 BUDGET DRAFT

Mr. Clifton presented a detailed review of the 2010-11 budget, including a leveling of savings in utility usage, the need for increased staffing, a combination vacuum/flusher truck, a TV inspection system, and a recommendation that the annual sewer user fee be increased by five dollars, to \$325/EDU. The budget must be received by Mr. Kane, Town Treasurer, on January 14, 2011.

Mr. Gilmore moved and Mr. Shoemaker seconded a motion to approve the proposed budget as presented for presentation for approval to the Board of Selectmen: motion passed.

VII. WATER TREATMENT FACILITY REPORT

Mr. Clifton reported that all permit parameters were met in January. Tunxis Pump Station Rehab contractor has not yet been chosen. There continued to be problems with odors at Tariffville School, and requests for assistance with blockages.

VIII. OTHER BUSINESS: NON-RESIDENTIAL SEWER USE BILLING

Chairman Richardson asked staff to prepare a list of personal contacts for the properties where sewer use fees for 2010-11 are expected to see the largest increase so that the Authority can provide billing information well in advance of the due date.

IX. ADJOURNMENT

Mr. Gilmore moved, and Mr. Park seconded a motion to adjourn the meeting:
motion passed.

Meeting adjourned at 9:28 pm

Philip Richardson, Chairman