

WATER POLLUTION CONTROL AUTHORITY  
TOWN HALL MEETING ROOM B  
REGULAR MEETING  
WEDNESDAY, APRIL 9, 2014

PRESENT: William Brennan, Rich Tomasetti, Eric Fanwick, Kristen Begor, David Taylor, Eric Ostenberg

OTHERS: Sandy Dennies, CFO; Tom Thurkettle, Director of Public Works;  
Mike Ahern, Field Engineer; Pete Lucia, Manager Integrated Systems;  
Morgan Driscoll, Resident

**REGULAR MEETING**

**Call to Order**

Mr. Brennan called the Regular Meeting to order at 5:10 PM.

**Approve the Minutes for the March 12, 2014 Regular Meeting**

Mr. Fanwick made a motion to approve the Minutes of the March 12, 2014 Meeting. The motion was seconded and carried.

**Request for Waiver from Hooking up to Wolfpit Sewer**

Mr. Morgan Driscoll of 149 Wolfpit Road requested a waiver from hooking up to the Wolfpit Sewer. He and his wife installed a new septic system in 2011 which is working fine and asked that the WPCA waive their having to hook up. He was told that the waiver would only apply to them as current owners and when they sold the property, the new owners would have to either hook up to the sewer line or come before the Authority and request a waiver.

Additionally, he was reminded that in spite of the waiver, he would still be required to pay the sewer assessment.

Mr. Brennan made a motion to grant a waiver to Mr. and Mrs. Driscoll from hooking up to the Wolfpit Road Sewer provided the two aforementioned requirements were met. The motion was seconded and carried unanimously.

**WPCA Budget**

Mr. Lucia reviewed the WPCA 2015 Budget. He explained the process to the new members. He passed out a worksheet (on file) and went over it, answering any

questions. He said that the proposed FY15 Budget would be \$766,798 which would mean the user fees would remain the same at \$214 per unit.

Mr. Fanwick requested seeing a balance sheet and the reserves for the WPCA and Ms. Dennies said that both would be provided at the next meeting.

Mr. Fanwick made a motion to approve the proposed budget as submitted. The motion was seconded and carried unanimously.

Mr. Brennan said that a Public Hearing would be held at the May 14, 2014 WPCA Meeting to hear comment from the public on the proposed budget and user fees.

### **Capital Assessment Procedures**

Ms. Dennies reviewed the Capital Assessment Procedures with the members of the Authority. She explained how capital assessments work and how the calculations are done. Ms. Dennies distributed handouts describing the Steps in the WPCA Assessment Process (attached). She said that the calculations are done differently for residential properties and commercial properties. In the case of the School Sisters of Notre Dame and the Miller Driscoll School properties, a special benefit analysis is done by an appraiser because they are considered commercial properties. Two separate appraisers have done an analysis on these properties and their findings will be presented at the next meeting.

### **The FOG Program**

Mr. Ahern said that the FOG Program had issued renewal packages to all FOG establishments the end of March. He said that 15% had renewed and 93% are in compliance. Three are not in compliance; one is in the process of becoming compliant and Mr. Ahern has spoken with the other two. Attorney Jonathan Bowman did prepare a draft letter for the non-compliant establishments which will be distributed at the next meeting.

A consultant hired by the Town is doing sampling of the establishments and those who are not in compliance will be charged \$250 which should encourage them to comply. If they have to be retested and don't comply they will be charged an additional \$250.

### **Other Business**

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 6:00 PM.

Respectively submitted,

Mariana Corrado  
Recording Secretary