

WATER POLLUTION CONTROL AUTHORITY  
TOWN HALL MEETING ROOM B  
REGULAR MEETING  
WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 9, 2013

PRESENT: William Brennan, Rich Tomasetti, Andy McNee,  
Eric Fanwick

OTHERS: Sandy Dennies, CFO; Tom Thurkettle, Director of Public Works;  
Mike Ahern, Field Engineer; Jonathan Bowman, Cohen and Wolf; John  
Stewart; Brian and Cynthia Toubman

1. **Call to Order**

Chairman Brennan called the Regular Meeting to order at 5:02 PM.

2. **Approve the Minutes for the September 11, 2013 Regular Meeting**

Mr. Fanwick made a motion to approve the Minutes of the September 11, 2013 Meeting. The motion was seconded and carried.

3. **Wolfpit Road Sewer Project Update**

Mr. Bowman of Cohen and Wolf recommended that the WPCA Regulations be amended in Section 9 on Capital Assessment fees for new connections, after the current Interlocal agreement expires and is up for renewal. (Currently Wilton's fee is \$840, which is set for the remainder of the term of the current agreement.) The amendment would state that if and when the connection fees increase in Norwalk the fees in Wilton will increase the same amount. The other recommended addition is to indicate that an additional capital assessment charge will be made for each benefitted property owner, whether or not the owner at the time actually chooses to connect to the sewer system.

Mr. Bowman will work on the final language for the proposed amendments to the Regulations. These amendments will be discussed at the next WPCA meeting. After discussion, the Authority will vote on the changes.

John Stewart of 175 Wolfpit Road requested that the WPCA defer his connection to the sewer system because they have a fairly new septic system (2006), which is working very well. He added that to connect to the sewer at this time would present a financial hardship since he is retired. Mr. Brennan made a motion to accept his request on the basis that should the septic system fail, he would have to connect to the sewer line immediately and if the ownership of the property changes the new owner would have to connect within 90 days and the assessment has to be paid. The motion was seconded and carried.

Mr. and Mrs. Toubman of 194 Wolfpit Road requested that the WPCA defer their connection to the sewer line based on financial hardship, he is retired and their septic system is in good condition and maintained regularly. Mr. Brennan made a motion to accept their request on the basis that should the septic system fail they would have to connect to the sewer line immediately and if the ownership of the property changes the new owner would have to connect within 90 days and the assessment has to be paid. The motion was seconded and carried.

Mr. Ahern explained that Mr. and Mrs. Siegel of 4 Wolfpit Lane are planning on connecting, but because they are new property owners they received the notification late. They are requesting an extension on the 90 day deadline-starting with September 14<sup>th</sup> instead of August 19<sup>th</sup>. The Authority agreed to this, but asked that Mr. Ahern put this in writing.

Mr. Ahern said that he had spoken to Joy Otis of 158 Wolfpit Road, who is requesting the WPCA defer her connection to the sewer line based on financial hardship. Because Ms. Otis is bedridden, she was unable to attend the meeting. Mr. Brennan asked that Mr. Ahern get something from her in writing and the Authority will vote on it at the next meeting. Mr. Thomasetti suggested that a form be created to make it easier for property owners requesting to defer connection.

Mr. Kerin was unable to make the meeting and so will speak to the Authority at the next meeting.

#### **4. Sisters of Notre Dame**

Parts of their sewer line are not complete. The sewer will have to be tested before the Authority can vote to accept it. Mr. Thurkettle has written a letter to their attorney Casey Healy requesting a timeline for completion and when they anticipate it coming on to the Town's system.

#### **5. FOG Program Update**

Mr. Ahern circulated a hand-out with three bids for the fat oil and grease testing, (filed herewith). He recommended going with North Consultants. They were the lowest bidder and they have worked with the Town before. A motion was made by Mr. Fanwick to accept the bid from North Consultants and hire them to do the testing contingent upon a reference check. The motion was seconded and carried unanimously.

On the FOG Program, 86% have renewed and 88% are compliant.

#### **6. Other Business**

Mr. Thurkettle said that the total cost for the pumps for the pumping station had come in. He provided the Members with a hand-out (filed herewith). The cost is

\$46,971.00. As the pumps are critical to the flow of sewage, and the existing pumps - having been rebuilt- are nearing the end of their life, Mr. Brennan made a motion to approve the cost for the pumps. The motion was seconded and carried.

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Mariana Corrado". The script is cursive and fluid, with the first name "Mariana" and last name "Corrado" clearly distinguishable.

Mariana Corrado  
Recording Secretary