

**SEWER AUTHORITY
WATER POLLUTION
CONTROL AUTHORITY**



**TOWN HALL
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**WATER POLLUTION CONTROL AUTHORITY
HELD ELECTRONICALLY
WEDNESDAY, December 6, 2023**

PRESENT: Toni Boucher, Joshua Cole, Basam Nabulsi, Lori Bufano, Kimberley Healy, Ross Tartell

OTHERS: Frank Smeriglio

Call to Order

Ms. Boucher called the meeting to order at 5:36 pm.

Approve Regular Meeting Minutes of November 8, 2023

Ms. Boucher asked for a motion to approve the Regular Meeting Minutes of November 8, 2023. Motion moved by Mr. Tartell, seconded by Mr. Nabulsi and carried 5-0 with Ms. Boucher abstaining as she was not seated on the board at that meeting.

440 Danbury Rd Request for Sewer Main Extension & Connection to Sewers

Ms. Boucher reviewed the request from 440 Danbury Rd for sewer main extension and connection to the town sewers. Mr. Smeriglio gave a detailed review and background on the request. He noted that the applicant indicated that the Health Dept initially did not want to review plans for septic upgrade and referred the owner to WPCA for potential connection. An application was then put in with the WPCA for connection to the town sewers and it was decided at the November 8, 2023 meeting to refer the request to the Planning & Zoning Commission (P&Z). The referral has not been discussed by P&Z. Mr. Smeriglio noted after further review by the Health Dept., it was determined that the applicant could explore upgrades to the existing septic system with the Health Dept. Mr. Smeriglio suggests that the WPCA withdraw the referral from P&Z. He noted the applicant should attempt to pursue doing upgrades to the existing system, and if not feasible then bring the application back to WPCA once more for consideration. He reviewed WPCA priority areas for the town regarding sewer allocation and noted that Danbury Rd is not the high priority at this time. There was a discussion amongst the board on withdrawal of the request. Ms. Boucher is in favor of moving forward with the recommended withdrawal. Board members were in agreement for the withdrawal with the exception of Mr. Nabulsi. After further discussion, motion moved by Mr. Cole to withdraw the referral to Planning & Zoning for the Sewer Main Extension & Connection to Sewers request for 440 Danbury Rd, seconded by Ms. Bufano. Mr. Nabulsi felt the referral should move forward and then have it come to WPCA and reviewed on its merits. Ms. Boucher noted she had concerns that extend beyond 440 Danbury Rd, properties within the immediate proximity to 440 Danbury Road, and future possibilities and usage for that area of the town. After discussion, motion carried 5-1 with Mr. Nabulsi opposed.

Calendar Year 2024 Meeting Dates

Ms. Boucher reviewed the proposed dates for the WPCA 2024 meeting dates. After discussion, motion moved by Ms. Healy to approve the meeting dates as proposed. Motion seconded by Mr. Tartell and carried 6-0.

Public Comment

- Barbara L. Geddis of Cannon Rd commented on the 440 Danbury Rd request and felt that as an architect the decision by the WPCA was the right one and concurred with concerns expressed for the area around Cannondale.
- Steven Georgeou of Cannon Rd commented and brought up the previous request for 19 Cannon Rd and if there is any relevancy of that to the 440 Danbury Rd request.

Adjournment

There being no further business, motion to adjourn made by Mr. Cole, seconded by Ms. Healy, and carried 6-0. Meeting adjourned at 5:57p.m.

Jacqueline Rochester
Recording Secretary
(taken from video)