

**TOWN OF SOMERS  
WATER POLLUTION CONTROL AUTHORITY  
P.O. BOX 308  
SOMERS, CT 06071**

**WPCA MINUTES  
SPECIAL MEETING  
September 14, 2010  
TOWN HALL – 7:15 pm**

**I. CALL TO ORDER:**

Chairman Jim Botellio called the special meeting of the WPCA to order at 7:21 pm. Members present included: Charles Colby, Daniel Fraro and Jim Faust. Also present: Steve Jacobs, Registered Sanitarian, and Mike Mocko, Ward Engineering.

**II. PUBLIC HEARING – 2010-2011 SOMERSVILLE AND MAPLE RIDGE WPCF O&M BUDGETS**

Mr. Botellio opened the Public Hearing at 7:26 pm. He then read the Legal Notice, dated August 4, 2010, published September 13, 2010 into the record. As no citizens were in attendance, Mr. Botellio recommended closing the Public Hearing.

*A motion was made by Charles Colby to close the Public; seconded by Daniel Fraro, and then unanimously voted as approved by the members.*

**III. SUNSET DRIVE – TCP WELL WATER REMEDIATION PROJECT:**

Steve Jacobs distributed draft copies of a letter to Homeowners and the corresponding Agreement for Installation and Provision of Water Service. He mentioned that both items have been reviewed by Carl Landolina, the Hazardville Water Co., and the DEP. Mr. Jacobs pointed out that members need to decide on and fill in deadlines to be set out in the letter and the Agreement. He further stated that Mike Mocko is putting together the final bid package and expects to put it out to bid by the end of this week.

Mr. Mocko addressed members and clarified that a Legal Notice of the bid would first need to be published, that the bid would be sent out sometime next week. Mr. Botellio suggested setting a schedule based upon that as a start-date of the project. Viewing a calendar, he stated that September 22, 2010 would be the “Out to Bid” date, followed by 30 days to receive bids. Mr. Botellio said that October 22, 2010, would be the closing date of bids received. On that date, he added, the Town Clerk would open and record the bids. Mr. Botellio asked Mr. Mocko if he could plan to make a recommendation on the bids to members at the November 2, 2010 Regular Meeting of the WPCA. Mr. Mocko agreed to that date and said that WPCA members could make a decision that evening and then issue a Notice of Award the next day. He added that the winning bidder would then have 15-30 days to execute the contract.

Mr. Jacobs then moved to the previously discussed meeting with the Homeowners. He suggested scheduling it during the October 5, 2010 regular meeting. Members agreed to that date. He then moved to the Agreement to be signed by the Homeowners, page 1, #1, Subject of Agreement and Page 3, #5, Landscaping. Mr. Jacobs recommended changing the end-dates from 4/30/2011 to 5/31/2011. Members

agreed. After some discussion, members concurred that the deadline for execution of Homeowner Agreements should remain at December 31, 2010.

Mr. Botellio asked for any additional comments or questions. Mr. Faust pointed out what he considered a contradiction between the cover letter and the Agreement in the discussion of well abandonment. He stated that the letter (page 1, paragraph 4), touches on the homeowners' ability to retain wells for non-potable use; whereas the Agreement (page 3, #8) only reviews well abandonment. Mr. Jacobs agreed to re-draft the letter to clarify Homeowners responsibility should they forgo State Funding and opt to retain their well for non-potable use.

Mr. Botellio asked members if they were in agreement with the rough schedule outlined for the project. All concurred. As a final item, Mr. Jacobs submitted the official Grant Agreement for Mr. Botellio's signature.

#### **IV. SOMERSVILLE WPCF 2010-2011 O&M BUDGET:**

Steve Jacobs reminded members that the budget had been approved at the August meeting. He stated that the final budget submitted to the Town was for \$66,705.00 with a user fee of \$198.00.

*A motion was made by Charles Colby to accept the Somersville WPCF 2010-2011 O&M Budget as presented; seconded by Jim Faust. In the vote that followed: Mr. Colby, Mr. Fraro, and Mr. Faust voted as approved; whereas Mr. Botellio abstained from voting.*

#### **V. MAPLE RIDGE COMM. SYSTEM 2010-2011 O&M BUDGET:**

Steve Jacobs again reminded members that the budget had been approved at the August meeting. He stated that the final budget submitted to the Town was for \$4,550.00 with a user fee of \$81.00.

*A motion was made by Jim Faust to accept the Maple Ridge Comm. System 2010-2011 O&M Budget as presented; seconded by Charles Colby, then unanimously voted as approved by the members.*

#### **VI. CORRESPONDENCE:**

Steve Jacobs reviewed the following as current correspondence:

- a) **Somers Plant Treatment Plan:** Mr. Jacobs he sent out letters of invitation to bid, and they are due by the October meeting.
- b) **LEA Engineering:** Mr. Jacobs informed members that testing on Rye Hill Drive is status quo.
- c) **WPCA Annual Report:** Mr. Jacobs stated that he submitted the WPCA Annual Report to the Town.
- d) **DEP – New Permit Requirements:** Mr. Jacobs stated he had received a Draft General Permit from the DEP regarding new Permit Requirements, which will impact the Maple Ridge System. He added that a Waste Water Management Plan would need to be done by a CT licensed Engineer. Mr. Botellio asked whether this would impact all new housing developments. Mr. Jacobs responded that it would for any development over the 5,000 gallon threshold. Mr. Botellio suggested they should review this with the First Selectman, as it may also affect both the schools and senior housing.

## **VII. BILLS:**

Steve Jacobs submitted the following invoices for payment:

D & F Power Equipment	\$25.99
S. Jacobs reimbursement (Soil Workshop)	\$50.00
Jack Farley Company	\$547.14
Journal Inquirer	\$94.44
Somers Ace Hardware	\$64.01
CBS Copiers	\$79.21
Hazardville Water Company	\$13.13
Electronic Technologies	\$1,285.00
Hinckley Construction (10 Polo View Drive)	\$5,450.00

Mr. Jacobs pointed out that the Electronic Technologies bill had previously been tabled, as it was thought that the Town had been charged for a transmitter which had not been installed. After reviewing the file, Mr. Jacobs found that the town had not been charged.

*A motion was made by Charles Colby to approve these invoices for payment; seconded by Daniel Fraro, then unanimously approved by the members.*

## **VIII. ADJOURNMENT:**

*A motion to adjourn was made by Jim Faust; seconded by Daniel Fraro, and unanimously approved to adjourn the September 14, 2010 Special meeting of the Water Pollution Control Authority at 8:19 pm.*

Respectfully submitted,

Daniel Fraro, Secretary

Kimberly E. Dombek, Recording Secretary

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