

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

**SPECIAL MEETING MINUTES
NOVEMBER 15, 2011
TOWN HALL
7:30 P.M.**

I. CALL TO ORDER:

Chairman Jim Botellio called the regular meeting to order at 7:30 p.m. Members present: Charles Colby, Steve Getman, Dan Fraro, Mark Marschall, Also present: Steve Jacobs, Registered Sanitarian.

Members Absent: Jim Faust, George VanTasel, Jr.

II. SEWER BILLS:

Jim Botellio explained the \$52.00/EDU cost increase for the 2011 Somersville WPCF sewer bills. Due to the expansion and required updates by the DEEP, the shared cost with the town, (\$60K) will be spread out over five years.

Lacass, 87 Main St. stated he was being charged for 4 EDU's and the current use of the property is just his household and a 2 bedroom Bed & Breakfast which gets limited use. This item will be put on the next agenda for consideration of a Change of Use.

Somers Village, 30 Nutmeg Dr., Tom Carenzo requested a reduction in the sewer charge for this property, as it is a model home and only being used for an office and open house. The property has a C.O. and is currently charged 1 EDU. This item will be put on the next agenda for consideration of a Change of Use.

Steve Jacobs reported that we have a high delinquency rate for the sewer billing and several are chronic. The Authority decided to turn over any accounts over two years delinquent, (8 from Somersville and 1 from Maple Ridge), to Atty. Cohen for the up-coming Tax Sale.

III. SUNSET DRIVE – TCP Well Water Remediation Project

Mr. Jacobs reported that the final grant payment from DEEP has been received.

Received copies of letters from DEEP to the 3 property owners who did not hook up to the public water and the owner who retained his well, informing them that they are now responsible to monitor their wells

Received a Thank You card from Hebert, 45 Main St. for the work that was done on his property.

Received an email from L. Pellegrini regarding 24 Sunset Dr. Mrs. Dion alleges that Folsom Const. removed three shrubs in front of her property when the water main was installed in the Fall of 2010. The Authority would like to know when the shrubs were put in and if Mrs. Dion had a receipt for the cost.

IV. SOMERSVILLE WPCF GENERATOR –

Steve Jacobs reported that he and Hank Anderson, WPCF Operator, met with Huntington Power on 10/27/11 to trouble shoot the problem with our pumps tripping out while on generator power. The technician, (Joe) determined that the problem was not being caused by CL&P. He ran several tests but could not determine the cause of the continued voltage unbalance. He said he will need to do a load bank test but did not have the equipment with him and will have to schedule another appointment. Huntington Power recently sent a Service Quotation of \$739.40 to continue trouble shooting our problem. As the generator is still under warranty, the Authority does not feel we should have to pay for service calls. Steve Jacobs will talk with Huntington Power and Generac. If satisfaction is not received, this issue will be turned over to Atty. Landolina.

V. WATER SYSTEM CASH FLOW:

Jim Botellio reported he had met with the BOF to go over the repayment schedule for the Somersville Water System now that the system has been turned over to the Hazardville Water Co.. Jim explained that none of the transfers for Fire Protection Capitol or the bond repayment has been done by the finance office for the past several years. He said these transfers will be made and we will get back on the schedule set up by Ed Sullivan and approved by the BOF. Based on the Finance Office numbers, we should have enough money to repay the town when all the deferred properties are developed.

V. CORRESPONDENCE / AUDIENCE PARTICIPATION

- A. Report from LEA Engineering on the perimeter testing in the Rye Hill Area. PCE levels have remained consistent.
- B. Copied on a letter from Atty. Landolina to HWC, stating we are not responsible for payment of Scitico Pump Sta. invoice.
- C. Letter to Avery Septic Service, awarding WPCF tank cleaning bid.
- D. Steve Jacobs reported the well at 28 School St. has tested above the potable standard for 1,2-Dichloroethane. He is checking with the DEEP to see if any funding is available to connect the property to public water.
- E. A draft of the WPCA 2012 Meeting Dates was discussed. The authority did not wish to meet after a long holiday weekend in July and Sept.

Motion was made by Charles Colby to approve the revised schedule, Steve Getman seconded. All were in favor motion carried unanimously

VI. BILLS / TRANSFERS

BILLS:

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| 1. | RCP, Inc. | \$69.47 |
| 2. | CBS Zerox | \$90.00 |
| 3. | Huntington Power | \$227.50 |

Motion was made by Charles Colby to table the Huntington Power bill and pay the others as stated, Mark Marschall seconded. All were in favor motion carried unanimously

TRANSFERS:

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| 1 | From: Somersville O&M to General Fund (Cost sharing Agreement) | \$60,000.00 |
| 2 | From: Maple Ridge Assess. To General Fund (Bond Payment) | \$9,835.00 |
| 3 | From: Somersville Assess. To General Fund (Goodwin Dr. Payments) | \$17,400.00 |
| 4 | From: Somersville Water Assess. To General Fund (Loan Payment) | \$26,300.00 |

Motion was made by Charles Colby to approve transfers to General Fund, as stated, Steve Getman seconded. All were in favor motion carried unanimously

VII. ADJOURNMENT

Motion to Adjourn was made by Charles Colby at 8:55 p.m., seconded by Mark Marschall. All were in favor and the motion carried.

Respectfully submitted,

Daniel Fraro, Secretary

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