

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

**REGULAR MEETING MINUTES
DECEMBER 6, 2011
Town Hall Lower Level Conference Room 7:30 P.M.**

I. CALL TO ORDER

Chairman Jim Botellio called the regular meeting to order at 7:34 p.m. Members present: Charles Colby, James Faust, Mark Marschall, Daniel Fraro and Steve Getman. Also present: Steve Jacobs, Registered Sanitarian

Members absent: George Van Tassel, Jr.

II. MINUTES APPROVAL

Motion was made by Steve Getman to approve the Regular Meeting Minutes of October 4, 2011. James Faust seconded. All were in favor, motion carried unanimously.

Motion was made by Steve Getman to approve the Regular Meeting Minutes November 15, 2011. James Faust seconded. All were in favor, motion carried unanimously.

**III. 87 MAIN STREET – LACASSE, JERRY G.
Proposed Change of Use**

Mr. Jacobs reported that he did a little homework on the property. According to their website they have a three room Bed & Breakfast they rent out for overnight guests. Under the Ordinance the closest thing to it would be a Tourist Home. At three bedrooms the bill rate would be 1.33 edu's and 1 edu for his residence. Jim Botiellio mentioned they need to change their ad to reflect two bedrooms otherwise the bill rate would be 2.33 rather than 1.9. WPCA will bill according to his advertisement. Mr. Jacobs will follow-up to find out if he wants to change his ad.

**IV. 30 NUTMEG DR. – GINGRAS DEVELOPMENT, LLC
Proposed Change of Use**

Mr. Jacobs went through the Ordinance and list of addresses. We don't bill anyone less than 1.0 edu's. It is a minimum charge, even offices are billed at that rate.

Motion was made by Charles Colby to keep the rate the same as is currently being charged and it should remain at one edu. James Faust seconded. All were in favor, motion carried unanimously.

V. WATER SYSTEM – CASH FLOW

Jim Botellio distributed the Loan Payment document. Jim Botellio further reported that he and Charles Colby attended a meeting that was held on November 28, 2011 with members of the Board of Finance, Steve Krasinski and Mr. Parker. They were concerned about the original agreement that was made in the 2000, where the town made an investment to help pay capital cost of fire protection. BOF wants to change the deal. BOF wants a new agreement in writing WPCA verified the amount owed is \$329,886.00. Kim Marcotte confirmed \$277,362.00 available assets to pay the loan. A transfer for \$265,000 has been prepared.

Jim Botellio further reported the remaining amount owed is \$40,924. The Town has not charged interest on the loan that is still open.

Charles Colby received an e-mail from Steve Krasinski that indicated second thoughts on why we should pay the \$11,600 when we are trying to extend the years of the outstanding debt. Jim Botellio said as long as we owe only \$40,924, the \$11,600 is excused. They will void the agreement and the Town will assume the rest to finish it and it will be in writing. Jim Botellio and Kim Marcotte agreed to keep track of this on a yearly basis.

Daniel Fraro asked how we could still collect the \$2,600. Connection Fees. Jim Botellio replied because we are collecting on a system that we still own until 60 year agreement with CT Water Co. is complete.

Jim Botellio said the overall meeting with the BOF was very productive.

VI. SEWER BILLING – DELINQUENT ACCOUNTS

Mr. Jacobs recommended turning over the following properties to the tax attorney for collection:

40 Goodwin Drive, 120 Main Street, 129 Main Street, 139 Main Street, 155 Main Street, 163 Main Street, 188 Main Street, 19 Maple Street and 62 Maple Ridge Drive.

Motion was made to take legal action on the above accounts by Charles Colby. James Faust seconded it. All were in favor, motion carried unanimously.

VII. SUNSET DRIVE – TCP WELL WATER REMEDIATION PROJECT

Mr. Jacobs reported he received a letter from the Department of Energy and Environmental Protection re: Letter of Concurrence.

Mr. Jacobs contacted Mrs. Dion regarding the shrubs that were lost. She has not responded back to the e-mail. We will wait to hear back from her.

VIII. SOMERSVILLE WPCF – GENERATOR

Steve Jacobs reported, Huntington Power will be doing the load bank testing on generator, on December 15. A technician from Generac Generators will also be coming out on that day as well. Generac said they will stand by their product 100%.

IX. CORRESPONDENCE/AUDIENCE PARTICIPATION

Mr. Jacobs handed out the 2012 Meeting Schedule

X. BILLS/TRANSFERS

Mr. Jacobs reported the following bills that need to be paid:

Somers Ace Hardware	\$ 21.59
Avery Septic Services	\$11,000.00

Motion was made to pay the bills as stated by Charles Colby. It was seconded by Jim Faust. All were in favor, motion carried unanimously.

Mr. Jacobs further reported on the Water Fund Account transfer of \$265,000 to be applied to the General Fund. There is another transfer from the Water Account of \$6,375.68 to be applied to the General Fund which is for the remainder of the \$12,000 that was appropriated for the fire hydrants on Sunset Drive that was not spent.

Motion was made to approve the transfer as stated by Charles Colby. It was seconded by Mark Marschall. All were in favor, motion carried unanimously.

XI. ADJOURNMENT

Motion was made to adjourn the Regular Meeting of the WPCA at 8:34 p.m. by Jim Faust. It was seconded by Mr. Jacobs. All were in favor, motion carried unanimously.

Respectfully submitted,

Regina C. Robinson, Secretary