

TOWN OF SOMERS
WATER POLLUTION CONTROL AUTHORITY
REGULAR MEETING MINUTES
November 12, 2024, 7:00pm
Regular Meeting

CALL TO ORDER. The Regular Meeting of the Somers WPCA was called to order at 7:00pm by Chairman Stephen Getman. Other members present were: Mark Folsom, Dan Fraro, Emily Dreyer, and Mark Marschall. Also present were Daniel Parisi, WPCA Superintendent and John Ruvo of Weston & Sampson. Alternate member, Jeremy Bourque, sat in as a voting member for Duane Mason. First Selectperson, Tim Keeney, was also present.

- I. MINUTES. The minutes of the Regular Meeting Minutes of October 1, 2024, were reviewed. A motion was made by Emily Dreyer and seconded by Jeremy Bourque to approve the minutes, without corrections, all in favor, motion passed.
- II. WPCA Plant Upgrade - Weston & Sampson – Bid Opening – Two bids were received. One from Leed Construction and one from Avery. Each bid was roughly double the estimates received from Weston & Sampson. John Ruvo explained the process and results. Members discussed: re-bidding the work, a multi-year phase approach, prioritizing fixing the beds, and a not to exceed clause. Dan Parisi and John Ruvo will review the bid details to see from where the exceedingly high costs came. The disinfection process needs to be in place by May 1, 2025 to satisfy our permitting. Chairman Getman indicated a special meeting may be required to keep to that May 1, 2025 date.
- III. Somersville WPCF – Facility Upgrade Project Funding – Additional funding needs to be found to cover the higher cost of the bids. Dan Parisi and Jeremy Bourque will research options. Securing a loan through the Town was discussed.
- IV. WPCA 2023-2024 Budget – Reporting and Balance – Finance delivered reporting through September 2024. No surprises were found.
- V. WPCA 2024-2025 Budget – Need to review and finalize by February 2025.

- VI. WPCF - Sub Committee – Sewer User Fees – Hazardville Water Company meter reads – Hazardville Water Company returned the proposal. The marked-up version needs to be reviewed by the Board.
- VII. WPCA Draft Ordinance Change – Challenges – See VI.
- VIII. CORRESPONDENCE/AUDIENCE PARTICIPATION – 50 Hall Hill asked the Board to consider extending the sewer line. The board will not consider this, at this time. 2025 meeting dates were discussed and adjusted. A motion was made by Emily Dreyer and seconded by Dan Fraro to approve the adjusted meeting dates, without corrections, all in favor, motion passed. Chairman Getman introduced a proposed memo to the Somers Building Inspector requesting the Board receive a heads up on change-of-use events. The memo was reviewed and adjusted. A motion was made by Emily Dreyer and seconded by Mark Marschall to approve sending the adjusted memo, without corrections, all in favor, motion passed.

IX. BILLS AND TRANSFERS:

a. Eversource	\$537.00
b. Phoenix Labs	\$111.10
c. Phoenix Labs	\$52.00
d. Star Hardware	\$118.78
e. Hazardville Water	\$14.75

A motion was made by Mark Marschall to pay the bills and seconded by Emily Dreyer, all in favor, motion passed.

APPROPRIATION/BUDGET TRANSFER: None

X. Adjournment

ADJOURNMENT: A motion was made by Emily Dreyer, seconded by Dan Fraro to adjourn at 8:09pm, all in favor, motion passed.

Respectfully Submitted
Mark Folsom, Secretary

Minutes are not official until voted on and approved at the following meeting.