

TOWN OF SOMERS
WATER POLLUTION CONTROL AUTHORITY
REGULAR MEETING MINUTES
February 4, 2025, 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, Mark Marschall, Dan Fraro, Emily Dreyer, Tim Vecchiarelli, and Jeremy Bourque. Also present were Daniel Parisi, WPCA Superintendent and John Ruvo of Weston & Sampson.

- I. MINUTES. The minutes of the Regular Meeting Minutes of January 7, 2025, were reviewed. A motion was made by Mark Marschall and seconded by Emily Dreyer to approve the minutes, without corrections, all in favor, motion passed.

- II. WPCA Plant Upgrade - Weston & Sampson – John Ruvo shared with the board the competitive bid results. Avery submitted a bid of \$979K and Leeds submitted a bid of \$1.289M. Full concrete costs included in the Leeds bid explains most of the cost difference. Weston & Sampson will complete a full bid review prior to the board making a choice and approving one. It was agreed the board would schedule a special meeting in February 2025 to accept and approve one of the two bids.

- III. Somersville WPCF – Facility Upgrade Project Funding – Emily Dreyer expressed concern EPA funds disbursement has been frozen and payments to the project may be in peril. Dan Parisi will exercise the EPA payment process by submitting Weston & Sampson bill onto the EPA. Joe Courtney’s office reached out to Dan Parisi and indicated our grant would not be pulled back.

- IV. WPCA 2023-2024 Budget – Reporting and Balance – The board has actual expenditure numbers through December 2024. It was agreed the board will need actuals through March/April 2025 to accurately create a budget for the next fiscal year.

- V. WPCA 2024-2025 Budget – Dan Parisi will inform Brian Wissinger the board will provide budget numbers by May 15, 2025.

- VI. WPCF - Sub Committee – Sewer User Fees – Hazardville Water Company has countersigned the agreement to provide the board actual water usage numbers for all their users in Somers.
- VII. WPCA Draft Ordinance Change – Challenges – The board will require several months of data from Hazardville Water Company to determine an accurate total yearly gallon usage on the Somersville system. The board will also monitor Hazardville Water Company’s ability to deliver accurate and timely data, per the contract.
- VIII. CORRESPONDENCE/AUDIENCE PARTICIPATION – Carlsen Systems provided a quote for the replacement of our damaged plug valve with actuator, including installation. The quote was for \$17,883.00. A motion was made by Jeremy Bourque and seconded by Dan Fraro to accept the quote, all in favor, motion passed. Dan Parisi will request Brian Wissinger pay for the plug valve with board funds in the Webster Bank cash account.

IX. **BILLS AND TRANSFERS:**

a. Eversource	\$1057.13
b. Phoenix Labs	\$52.00
c. Phoenix Labs	\$111.10
d. Phoenix Labs	\$227.00
e. Carlsen Systems	\$1200.00
f. Hazardville Water	\$14.85
g. EML Labs	\$622.74
h. Avery	\$16144.16
i. Weston & Sampson	\$49933.02
j. Weston & Sampson	\$63663.37
k. Weston & Sampson	\$5337.14

A motion was made by Tim Vecchiarelli to pay the bills and seconded by Mark Marschall, 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 7:34 pm, all in favor, motion passed.

Respectfully Submitted

Mark Folsom, Secretary

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