

TOWN OF SOMERS
WATER POLLUTION CONTROL AUTHORITY

REGULAR MEETING MINUTES
MAY 7, 2013
7:30 PN TOWN HALL

I. CALL TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order by Chairman James Botellio. Members present were Charles Colby, James Faust, Stephen Getman, George VanTasel and Mark Marschall. Also present was Steve Jacobs, Town Sanitarian.

II. MINUTES APPROVAL (APRIL 2, 2013)

There were two minor typos that needed correcting. Colby made a motion to approve the minutes as amended. Seconded by Getman, all in favor, motion carried.

III. DURKEE RD. - PROPOSED WATER MAIN EXT.

Steve Jacobs showed the commission maps/ plans for a new 7 lot subdivision on the north side of Durkee Road. There is known groundwater contamination in the area so a water main is being proposed to support the new lots.

A motion was made by Colby to approve the extension of a water main down Durkee Road for the 7 proposed lots with a \$2600.00 water assessment caveat to be placed on each lot. Seconded by Van Tasel, all in favor, motion carried.

IV. SOMERSVILLE WPCF – REPAIRS

The gates are still on backorder. Steve will talk to Tim about it and see what is taking so long. Still no answers on where the pollution, (high ammonia), is coming from. Another toxicity test will be done in June. Steve is hoping it is a temporary quirk.

V. WELL WATER ARSENIC SURVEY

Steve Jacobs has been getting lots of calls from citizens regarding the well water contamination. An article put out by the Journal Inquirer has called lots of attention to the arsenic contamination issue in the town. Uranium has been added to the testing since the state has recommended it. Steve Jacobs showed commission members an updated map of where the arsenic contamination located. There have been no new clusters of wells that are contaminated. The three clusters detected to date include Brittany Lane, King Road and the Northwest Drive area. The rest of the town looks pretty good thus far.

VI. PROPOSED PRIVATE WELL WATER TESTING ORDINANCE

Steve Jacobs revised the draft to say “all new well water supply systems”. Changes were made throughout the draft accordingly and it has been sent to Carl Landolina, Town Attorney for review. Steve is waiting to hear back from Carl for his comments. Next it will be presented to

the Selectman for their review. A public hearing will be held after it has been run by the Selectman's office.

VII. CORRESPONDENCE/AUDIENCE PARTICIPATION

The tax sale has been set up for August 7, 2013 at 10:00 am for all delinquent sewer and tax properties. Citizens can bid on any property for sale.

VIII. BILLS/TRANSFERS

Journal Inquirer - \$141.66, \$ 94.44

Somers Ace Hardware - \$83.92

Phoenix Labs - \$290.00, \$60.00, \$60.00, \$60.00, and \$78.00

Crop Production Services - \$195.00

USA Blue Book - \$204.05

Steve Jacobs - \$40.00

A motion was made by VanTasel to pay bills. Seconded by Getman, all in favor, motion carried

IX. ADJOURNMENT

A motion was made by VanTasel to adjourn the meeting at 7:24 pm. Seconded by Colby, all in favor, motion carried.