

**TOWN OF SOMERS
WATER POLLUTION CONTROL AUTHORITY**

**P. O. Box 308
Somers, CT 06071**

SPECIAL MEETING

June 23, 2015

7:30 p.m.

Town Hall Conference Room

I. CALL TO ORDER:

Chairman Jim Botellio called the meeting to order at 7:30 p.m. Members present were: Jim Botellio; Dan Fraro; George VanTasel; Charles Colby; Steve Getman; Mark Marschall; Jim Faust. Town Sanitarian Steve Jacobs and Town Attorney Carl Landolina were also present.

II. Somersville WPCF – Maintenance – R. J. Forbes, Inc.

The contractor, Ross Forbes, e-mailed Steve Jacobs stating that he had made a huge mistake in quoting the wet well lining job at \$29,000. He apologized and said his company could do this job for a cost of \$49,000, an increase of \$20,000 over the original quote.

Jim Faust asked if there is room to renegotiate and Jim Botellio replied that the WPCA only budgeted for \$29,000 for this job, so we have to discuss a compromise with the contractor.

Steve Jacobs contacted Ross Forbes by speaker phone. It was the consensus of the Commission that Jim Botellio will speak for the WPCA.

Mr. Forbes said their original quote included two tanks, but his estimator only priced for one tank in the quote and they could not do the job for the original price of \$29,000 without losing money. He apologized for this error. He said they could go through the entire bid to see what his company can do to keep the total cost of the job as low as possible – no hidden additional costs. He said that his company could absorb any dumpster and disposal fees.

Jim Botellio asked Mr. Forbes to e-mail Steve Jacobs, by noon tomorrow, the best price he could offer for the entire job and verify that this job will be started within two weeks and completion date within the month of July.

Mr. Forbes agreed to do this and again apologized for this error in quoting the job.

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After the telephone conversation, the Authority discussed all aspects of this job. They agreed that the cost of \$49,000 should cover the entire cost of this job – no hidden costs.

The Authority agreed that concrete repair and disposal of hazardous material, if any, should be the only unknowns.

Also, a 3 year warranty for materials and a 1 year warranty on workmanship.

George VanTasel made a motion to appoint Jim Botellio and Steve Jacobs to work together with Ross Forbes to resolve this problem and negotiate a fair price for this job that is acceptable to all concerned. This motion was seconded by Steve Getman and unanimously approved by the Authority.

III. ADJOURNMENT:

A motion to adjourn was made by Jim Botellio; seconded by Jim Faust and unanimously approved by the Authority. The meeting adjourned at 8:10 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Dan Fraro, Secretary

Connie Careno, Recording Secretary

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