

**TOWN OF SOMERS  
WATER POLLUTION CONTROL AUTHORITY  
REGULAR MEETING MINUTES  
March 7, 2017  
7:30 PM -TOWN HALL**

**I. CALL TO ORDER**

The meeting was called to order at 7:31 pm by Chairman, James Botellio. Other members present were: Charles Colby, Mark Marschall and George Van Tassel, Jr. and Daniel Fraro. Also present was Steven Jacobs, Town Sanitarian.

**II. MINUTES APPROVAL**

The minutes of February 7, 2017 were reviewed. The numbering of items was corrected.

*A motion was made to approve the minutes as amended by Mr. Colby. 2nd by Mr. Marschall, all in favor, motion passed.*

**III. 23 HALL HILL RD. – PROPOSED SEWER DISCHARGE**

*A motion was made to add this item to the agenda by Mr. Colby. 2nd by Mr. Colby, all in favor, motion passed.*

Todd Clark, Aeschlimann Land Survey presented plans for a new building on the site to store vehicles. An oil/grit separator is being proposed to prevent anything which drips off the vehicles from entering the sewer. No vehicle maintenance will be performed. Mr. Jacobs reported that he has reviewed the plans and the proposal is allowed per our ordinance. Based on the estimated flow from the property, he recommends a 1.0 EDU charge to be pro-rated from issue of the Certificate of Occupancy.

*A motion was made to approve the proposed use and to set the sewer user charge at 1.0 EDU's for the property, by Mr. Colby. 2nd by Mr. Marschall, all in favor, Mr. Van Tassel abstained, motion passed.*

**IV. HALL HILL RD. – SEWER MAIN EXTENSION**

Mr. Jacobs reported that he is still waiting for the weather to improve so the driveway aprons can be replaced.

**V. 2017-18 SOMERSVILLE WPCF O&M BUDGET**

Mr. Jacobs presented the proposed budget. Expenses were down from the previous year and we have completed the payback to reserves for the plant up-grade. There is now additional money in the budget and we could possibly lower our rate if the Authority so chose. After discussion,

the Authority felt it would be best to keep the rate the same and continue to build up the reserve as cost continue to rise.

*A motion was made to approved the proposed budget as presented and keep the user rate at \$255.00/EDU, by Mr. Colby. 2nd by Mr. Van Tassel, all in favor, Mr. Botellio abstained, motion passed.*

## **VI. 2017-18 MAPLE RIDGE COMM. SYSTEM O&M BUDGET**

Mr. Jacobs presented the proposed budget. Expenses were within the budget and Mr. Jacobs recommends we adopt the same budget for this fiscal year.

*A motion was made to approved the proposed budget as presented and keep the user rate at \$145.00/EDU, by Mr. Van Tassel. 2nd by Mr.Colby, all in favor, motion passed.*

*A motion was made to hold the public hearing for the Somersville and Maple Ridge budgets on April 4 at 7:15 pm, by Mr. Van Tassel. 2nd by Mr.Marschall, all in favor, motion passed.*

## **VII. CORRESPNDENCE/AUDIENCE PARTICIPATION**

- Mr. Jacobs reported that we have received the settlement payment and the suit against Hinckley Const. Inc. has been withdrawn.
- We have received a request from the CT-DOC to complete the water service and well abandonment at 82 Rye Hill Cir. which is 100% reimbursable. Mr. Jacobs sent out a request and received two quotes for the job. The lowest was Cota Const. at \$9,400.00

*A motion was made to accept the quote by Cota Const. of \$9400.00 pending State approval, by Mr. Marschall. 2nd by Mr. Colby, all in favor, motion passed.*

- Mr. Jacobs reported that the public hearing for the Regional Health District Bill occurred on Thurs., March 2, 2017. Only the author of the bill, Dr. Pino, State Commissioner of Health presented testimony in favor of the proposal. 47 other agencies, Directors of Health, COG's, Selectmen, Mayors, etc. were opposed.

## **VIII. BILLS/TRANSFERS**

Phoenix Labs	\$128.00
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S. Jacobs, (SSSSNE dues)	<u>\$40.00</u>
	\$228.00

*A motion was made by Mr. Colby to approve the other bills as submitted. 2nd by Mr. Van Tassel, all in favor, motion passed.*

**IX. ADJOURNMENT**

*A motion to adjourn the regular meeting was made, by Mr. Van Tassel at 8:25 pm, 2nd by Mr. Colby, all in favor, motion passed.*

*Respectfully submitted,*

*Daniel Fraro  
Recording Secretary*