

**TOWN OF SOMERS  
WATER POLLUTION CONTROL AUTHORITY  
REGULAR MEETING MINUTES  
November 13, 2018  
7:30 PM -TOWN HALL**

**I. CALL TO ORDER**

The meeting was called to order at 7:32 pm by Chairman, James Botellio. Other members present were: James Faust, Charles Colby, Daniel Fraro and Stephen Getman. Also present was Steven Jacobs, Town Sanitarian.

**II. MINUTES APPROVAL**

The minutes of Oct. 2, 2018 were reviewed.

*A motion was made by Mr. Faust to approve the minutes as written. 2nd by Mr. Getman, all in favor, motion passed.*

**III. SOMERSVILLE WPCF – Maintenance**

Mr. Jacobs reported that the new pumps and controls for Quality Ave should be coming in December. With the lower temperatures in Oct., the last bacterial sample came back well below our permit limit and the UV system is working. Mr. Jacobs sent an email to CT-DEEP reporting this and requesting do to do a pilot project next year to show that reverting back to chlorine disinfection would be a better alternative the UV system. No response was received. The Authority would like to now send a certified letter to DEEP explaining the proposed pilot project in hope of getting a consensus from them. Mr. Jacobs will draft a letter for Chairman Botellio's review and signature.

**IV. 2019-20 WPCA/HEALTH BUDGET**

Mr. Jacobs presented a proposed budget and revenue projection for the up-coming fiscal year. The proposal represented a zero percent increase as requested by the Finance Department.

*A motion was made by Mr. Faust to approve the proposed budget as recommended and submit to the BOS for approval. 2nd by Mr. Getman, all in favor, motion passed.*

**CORRESPONDENCE/AUDIENCE PARTICIPATION**

- Mr. Jacobs reported that the sewer collection rates thus far for 2018-19 were 69% for Somersville and 78% for Maple Ridge.
- Mr. Jacobs sent an email to the WPCF staff to cut back on hours due to budget concerns.

- The town received another letter from CT-DPH offering \$15K to join or form a health district. Only \$5K would go directly to the town, \$10K to the district.
- Avery Septic Service provided a quote of \$500.00 to replace missing baffles in two on the Maple Ridge tanks which were discovered with the last pumping. The Authority felt this was reasonable and approved the repairs.
- A report from the finance dept. was received indicating large amounts of money in our savings account for sewer and water and would like to move the majority into our STIF account to earn more interest. This was done in the past automatically by finance, but they would like an authorization from the WPCA.

*A motion was made by Mr. Colby to move \$150K from our sewer account and all \$16,775.86 from our water account into our STIF account. 2nd by Mr. Faust, all in favor, motion passed.*

#### **IV. BILLS/TRANSFERS**

Phoenix Labs	\$60.00
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Star Hardware	\$26.99
Star Hardware	\$76.47
Huntington Power	\$502.79
HACH	<u>\$339.89</u>
	\$1192.25

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

#### **V. ADJOURNMENT**

*A motion to adjourn the regular meeting was made by Mr. Faust at 8:10 pm, 2nd by Mr. Getman, all in favor, motion passed.*

Respectfully submitted,

Daniel Fraro  
Recording Secretary