

TOWN OF SOMERS
WATER POLLUTION CONTROL AUTHORITY
REGULAR MEETING MINUTES



Tuesday, July 12, 2022 7:00 p.m. Regular Meeting and Zoom

CALL TO ORDER The meeting was called to order at 7:00 pm by Chairman Stephen Getman. Other members present were: Emily Dreyer, Mark Folsom, Daniel Fraro, Tim Vecchiarelli and Mark Marschall. Also present were Daniel Parisi, WPCA Superintendent, Todd Roland Director of Public Works and Matthew Jermine, Engineering Consultant, of Weston & Sampson.

- I. MINUTES The minutes of Special Meeting on June 21, 2022 were reviewed. Chairman Getman amended the minutes to say Mathew from Weston and Sampson was zoomed in. A motion was made by Mr. Marschall to approve the minutes, seconded by Ms. Dreyer, all in favor, motion passed.
- II. SOMERSVILLE WPCF – Plant Upgrade: Weston & Sampson
Mr. Jermine submitted Amendment #2 for Task 2.5 - Moving of the UV System and Install Filters, cost \$45,000.00 and Task 2.56 General On Call Services (FY 22-23), cost (Hourly) \$40,000.00. A motion was made by Mark Marschall and seconded by Mark Folsom to sign the Amendment #2. The motion passed. Weston & Sampson are looking to start construction the first or second week of August depending on the weather. Mr. Jermine spoke on the bed replacement of adding sand and stone to help the drainage of the wastewater. Mr. Parisi received a bid waiver from the Board of Selectman, we can have Weston & Sampson do the design build, to expedite the construction process.
- III. WPCP Employees
Mr. Parisi stated that Mr. DeGray was not going to be working at the WPCF. Something had come up with his full time job and he would not be able to fulfill his duties for the WPCA. Mr. Parisi is looking for a replacement for the position.
- IV. SOMERSVILLE WPCF – Facility Upgrade Project Funding
Mr. Parisi stated we had received 2 emails from Congressman Courtney's office stating that our Project was in the budget for the STAG Grant. The emails said that it depends on when the Government votes on the Budget and if the all the projects are approved. We will not hear anything till the November or December.
- V. WPCA 2022-2023 Budget – Reporting, Fees and Rate Increases
A discussion regarding the budget report for WPCA was held. Mr. Parisi submitted 2

Draft Budgets for 2022-23 for Somersville WPCF and Maple Ridge Community System. The Somersville Budget showed a shortfall in last years budget. There was discussion on the budget and raising the rate for this year. Even in raising the rate to \$490.00, there will be a shortfall in this years budget 2022-23. The estimated budget 2022-23 is \$231,212.00 to address Operation and Maintenance of the WPCF. The estimated Revenues are \$175,272.10. This is the reasoning for the increase in the rates. Maple Ridge Community System Budget, the rates will be raised to \$180.00. The estimated Revenues will be \$10,201.00. The Budget 2022-23 is \$3,625.00. The Board is looking into other ways of funding the Capitol Project for the Upgrade of the WPCF, a STAG Grant from the Federal Government and monies from The Clean Water Fund. Mr. Parisi stated that this was submitted to the insurance for reimbursement for the extra money spent at the Somersville WPCF due to a car accident hitting a pole and causing a power outage.

VI. CORRESPONDENCE/AUDIENCE PARTICIPATION

Carlson System submitted a proposal for 2 new pumps for \$11,138.00, plus approximate cost for installation of \$2,500.00. A motion was made by Mark Folsom and seconded by Mark Marschall to purchase and install the new pumps. The motion passed.

VII. BILLS/TRANSFERS

Hazardville Water	\$	57.89
Northeast Generator	\$	1013.50
Phoenix Lab	\$	149.75
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Eversource Electric	\$	377.17
Weston & Sampson	\$	10,200.00
Hardware Store	\$	163.75+\$ 5.39
EML Lab	\$	948.02

A motion was made by Mr. Folsom to pay the bills, seconded by Mr. Vecchiarelli, all in favor, motion passed.

VIII. ADJOURNMENT A motion was made by Mr. Marschall and seconded by Ms. Dreyer to adjourn the meeting at 8:40 pm, all in favor, motion passed.

Respectfully submitted,
Daniel Parisi - Superintendent