

Town of Lebanon
WATER POLLUTION CONTROL AUTHORITY
TOWN HALL, LOWER LEVEL
Thursday, June 27, 2013 – 7:30 PM

REGULAR MEETING MINUTES

Members Present: Brandon Handfield, Chairman, Yaw Nsiah, David Martin, Steve Farrick, Paul Oliver

Absent: Al Wilder, Dave Benjamin

Also: Brenda Bennett, WPCA Clerk

- 1.0 Call to Order Regular Meeting - The Regular Meeting was called to order at 7:31 p.m. by the Chairman.
- 2.0 Public Comment –
 - 2.1 Tony Digilio, 190 Deepwood Drive, ask the question, “ Who can speak at a WPCA meeting? WPCA answered “Anyone from the audience of citizens.”
 - 2.2 Leo Foxwell, 33 Sunset Drive, Expressed concerns as a seasonal resident as to whether the power should remain on for seasonal residences during the winter season? The WPCA will consult with Fuss & O’Neill for “methods of seasonalizing” for the seasonal properties. A response will be forthcoming.
 - 2.3 Peter Gandelman, 14 Cove Road, this property does not have electricity or plumbing and is only used as storage. Does the property need to be connected? This will be discussed with the Building Department as this situation came up with another property.
 - 2.4 Russ Parlin, 21 Ryan Terrace, received his application packet and expressed concerns as to who did the grinder pump testing/inspection because there is debris that needs to be removed; also, “Does the contractor sign his permit in the presence of staff?” WPCA answered “Yes”.
 - 2.5 Larry Graft, 424 Deepwood Drive, “How do you remove the instructions from the grinder pump?” and, 303 Deepwood Drive, “Who is responsible for removing debris from the bottom of the grinder pump?” Fuss & O’Neill will be contacted about the material and an inspection before the grinder pump is turned on.
 - 2.6 Keith Wentworth, Wentworth Septic, Thanked the Commission for their work and encouraged the audience to “allow the process to work itself out”. Is there an issue with bonding when a General Contractor wants to sub out the plumbing and electrical work? Please don’t put a financial hardship on the General Contractors for bonding each property because their liability insurance covers the scope of the bond. He made the following recommendations: 1) Define the scope of the bond for contractors. 2) Limit the number of properties a contractor can work on at one given time rather than increase the amount of bonding.
 - 2.7 Steve Ushinski, USA Construction, 1) Is there a way to condense the plumbing work portion on the permit? 2) Could the skematic for the sewer line hookup be refined? Is filter fabric necessary and can this be eliminated? “No” 3) Can he receive a key to the electrical panel? “Each electrician will be receiving a key at the time of issuance of their permit.”

- 2.8 Greg Giles, Colchester Electric, "How does the permitting process work?"
- 3.0 Approval of 6/13/13 Regular Meeting Minutes. Moved by S. Farrick and seconded by D. Martin to approve the 6/13/13 Meeting Minutes with the following amendments: Page 2, Subparagraph 2.7 change "his lawn" to "*her lawn*"; Page 2, Subparagraph 3.0 VOTING NAY: P. Oliver to the Resolution for the Sanitary Sewer Benefit Resolution, "*only*". Remove "*unanimously*" approved. Page 2, Subparagraph 4.4, remove "*and stated that the path was aesthetically not an issue.*" Motion unanimously approved.
- 4.0 Correspondence –
- 4.1 Paul Halle, 134 Deepwood Drive, 6/26/13 email from Public Works Director via P. Halle, He would like the curb removed due to vehicle damage. The email will be forwarded to Fuss & O'Neill for further investigation.
- 4.2 Lenny Sabia, Cove Road, email, Would like his driveway returned to original condition.
- 4.3 Donald Ray, 229 Deepwood Drive, water is ponding in front yard, this may need an apron. This will be forwarded to Fuss & O'Neill for further investigation.
- 4.4 Laurel Heneberry, 489 Deepwood Drive, 6/21/13 email, A curbing issue in front of the home is causing issues. This will be forwarded to Fuss & O'Neill for further investigation.
- 4.5 Sandy & Tony Rigazio-Digilio, 190 Deepwood Drive, emailed dated 6/18/13, Our engineer will go out to the site and evaluate the quality of the construction and the condition of the patch installed, if not up to specs, the repair will be at the expense of the contractor. Also, minimize the height of the apron lip and extend further down the driveway to resolve issues with vehicle access.
- 4.6 Ethel Montgomery, 37 Andrews Street, correspondence dated 6/19/13, would like to defer from hook-up to the sewer system due to financial hardships. WPCA – "Is there a method to evaluate hardship?".
- 4.7 Joyce Okonuk, 1st Selectman, correspondence dated 6/21/13 regarding re-appointment of David Benjamin and Paul Oliver for a term to expire on 5/1/16.
- 4.8 David Benjamin, email dated 6/25/13 regarding immediate resignation from the WPCA.
- 5.0 Project Update - The bioxide/flow meter training was rescheduled to June 22nd. The system is fully functional and the Order to Connect has been issued. The 5-year warranty on the electrical from the manufacturer, as discussed at the 6/13/13 meeting, only applies to defects.
- 6.0 Application Review – none.
- 7.0 Old Business -
- 7.1 500 Deepwood Drive – Continued review of application for construction of 12'x14 addition with a portion of the addition in the easement. The WPCA reviewed an engineered set of plans provided by the contractor. The foot draining has been addressed and the following recommendations were made: 1) The plans must show shoring with a note prepared by the engineer; 2) Inspections of the excavation are to be completed by an engineer hired by the contractor; 3) The bond will increase to \$10,000 due to risk to the sewer system; 4) The plan should identify the location of the electrical

line from the panel to the grinder pump. The Commission will prepare a Permit to work in Easement and it will be reviewed for conditional approval at next meeting. It is not necessary the contractor be present.

- 7.2 Preston Records, Lakeview Heights, the video was not clear whether the pile of dirt on the property was pre-existing to the construction. This matter has been tabled for further review by Commission members.
- 7.3 Bonding will remain at \$5,000 per contractor and will be reviewed periodically with the Building Department.
- 8.0 Possible Action Item –
 - 8.1 Waller, Smith & Palmer, P.C., #53429 dated 6/6/13, \$3,075.00. Moved by Y. Nsiah and seconded by P. Oliver to approve payment of Waller, Smith & Palmer bill, \$53429 dated 6/6/13 in the amount of \$3,075.00. Motion unanimously approved.
 - 8.2 Fuss & O'Neill, Amendment No. 6. Moved by Y. Nsiah and seconded by S. Farrick to approve have B. Handfield sign. Motion unanimously approved.
 - 8.3 Chronicle Printing Co., Invoice #173, dated 4/30/13. Moved by B. Handfield and seconded by S. Farrick to make correction to Action Item, previously approved at 5/23/13 meeting - approve payment in the amount of \$932.06. Motion unanimously approved.
- 9.0 Treasurer's Report – none.
- 10.0 Topics for next Agenda – Cancel 1st meeting in July.
- 11.0 Adjourn Special Meeting – Moved by P. Oliver and seconded by S. Farrick to adjourn the Regular Meeting at 9:55 p.m. Motion unanimously approved.

Respectfully Submitted,

Brenda Bennett, Clerk

Dated July 10, 2013 *(Minutes are unapproved as of transcription date.)*