

Town of Lebanon  
WATER POLLUTION CONTROL AUTHORITY  
TOWN HALL, LOWER LEVEL  
Thursday, July 25, 2013 – 7:30 PM

REGULAR MEETING MINUTES

Members Present: Brandon Handfield, Chairman, Al Wilder, David Martin, Steve Farrick, Paul Oliver

Absent: Yaw Nsiah

Also: Brenda Bennett, WPCA Clerk, Margaret Velrizzi, WPCA Clerk

- 1.0 Call to Order Regular Meeting - The Regular Meeting was called to order at 7:33p.m. by the Chairman.
- 2.0 Public Comment –
  - 2.1 Sandy & Tony Rigazio-Digilio, 190 Deepwood Drive – Email forward to the Commission regarding driveway issues/concerns which need to be addressed regarding the driveway patch. Fuss & O'Neill slide show presentation assured residents any work to done to properties would be restored to original condition; work is "unsatisfactory". Presented colored photographs of the "before and after" with additional photographs of driveway cracking near area of "patch"; is present tonight to seek a resolution of the repair work.
  - 2.2 Resident, 186 Deepwood Drive- Expressed concerns regarding the installment payments for the Assessment and due date; why the elimination of seasonal rate vs. year-round rate for the User Fee?
  - 2.3 Kim Nicholson, 6 West Woodland Road - Expressed concerns of the User Fee rate, seasonal vs. year-round; consider metering the system at each home. Email forwarded to WPCA on 7/24/13 from her mother. Currently has an existing septic system installed in 2009 and was told that the system would be "grandfathered"; seeking a waiver from connecting to the sewer system. The WPCA recommended forwarding this information showing that this is a code compliant system. Also, does the owner have to collapse the existing septic tank; a concrete pad was installed above tank to use as a parking pad and wants to continue to use this area for parking. WPCA will check with the Health Dept. regarding use of the existing septic tank as a holding tank for roof runoff.
  - 2.4 Dave Benjamin, Geer Road - He has installed several systems to date and notes at one property a 5' stub from the pump chamber was missing and this needs an inspection by Fuss & O'Neill. Please consider a rotating schedule for local pump trucks in town.
  - 2.5 Steve Ushinski, USA Construction, Terryville – Regarding the hardship stated by resident at 37 Andrew Street, Mr. Ushinski has been out to the home and does not believe this is a hardship case. He noted that this is a newer house with a newer septic system. Mr. Ushinski offered "free" services to anyone needing to hookup that may have a legitimate hardship. Is there a way to shorten the office paperwork so that contractors do not have to sign both the Building Permits as well as the Sewer Connection Permit? This is difficult for some contractors to have to track down that paperwork between the homeowner and the office. An incident was noted in the field where the valve at the street was in the "off" position and shorted out a system. Can contractors turn the valve

at the street? Currently the Health Dept. is responsible for this procedure and all valves should be in the "closed" position until inspected and tested.

- 3.0 Approval of 6/27/13 Regular Meeting Minutes. Moved by D. Martin and seconded by P. Oliver to approve the 6/25/13 Meeting Minutes with the following corrections: Page 1, Subparagraph 2.5, change "Graft" to *Graf*; Page 1, Subparagraph 2.7, change "issueance" to *issuance*, Page 3, Subparagraph 8.1 remove the " \$" from Invoice 53429. Motion unanimously approved.
- 4.0 Correspondence –
- 4.1 Joan B. Sinder, Esq., correspondence dated 6/28/13 regarding an appeal of the amounts charged for Assessment and User Fees. The correspondence will be forward to the town attorney.
- 4.2 Les Parlin, 21 Ryan Terrace, email dated 6/28/13, inspection of the chamber for debris, removal of debris?
- 4.3 Lenny Sabia, Jr., 18 Cove Road, correspondence dated 7/7/13 and follow up email dated 7/10/13 regarding the condition of his driveway after allowing heavy machinery to be parked through winter months; came home to find contractors dumped stone in his driveway and this needs to be spread and wants his driveway returned to original condition. This will be added to the driveway issues and forward to Fuss & O'Neill for their attention.
- 4.4 Colin & Carolyn Wood, 25 Island Beach Road, emailed dated 7/13/13, requesting an extension for hookup until September 2014 as they might not be able to comply with the December deadline as they live out of state.
- 4.5 Beth Sullivan, Deepwood 38, LLC, 38 Deepwood Drive, emailed dated 7/23/13, response provided by WPCA Clerk.
- 4.6 Amanda Belanger, 48 Deepwood Drive, emailed dated 7/12/13, response provided by WPCA Clerk.

Moved by P. Oliver and seconded by D. Martin to amend the agenda and act on 7.0 Old Business. Motion unanimously approved.

5.0 Old Business -

- 5.1 Sandy & Tony Rigazio-Digilio, 190 Deepwood Drive, colored photographs were presented to the Commission by the homeowners depicting the original condition of the driveway prior to the install of the "patch" after installation of the grinder pump. The Chairman indicated that he could not locate a paper trail identifying why the lateral was installed down through the driveway rather than through the stonewall as originally intended. The homeowners also want addressed the height of the apron which is too high and impacts their vehicles. The consensus of the WPCA with the Chairman's recommendations was to: 1) redo the curb cut; 2) provide an asphalt overlay on the driveway and entire lip. The gravel area next to the driveway will not be touched and just the current paved area will receive an overlay; 3) lower the lip and transition this into the driveway. The timeline of work to be completed was undetermined for completion, possibly by Labor Day. The WPCA stated "drainage issues in the driveway will not change".

5.2 500 Deepwood Drive – application for construction of 12'x14' addition with a portion of the addition within the WPCA Easement. After reviewing the revised plans dated 7/5/13 submitted by the contractor, the Commission made the following comments:

Contractor -

- Show accurate location of grinder pump (not approximate).
- Depict proposed shoring on Plan with location, type and elevations.
- Provide cross-section showing proposed foundation, grinder pump, piping, shoring, backfill and other details to scale.

Add the following notes to the plan:

- Contractor to locate and protect electric conduit from control panel to grinder pump prior to installation of shoring.
- Proposed connection to grinder pump to be shown on plan.
- Change General Note #3 as follows:
  - Owner to coordinate the following inspections with WPCA Engineer
  - Following stakeout of proposed addition by licensed Land Surveyor
  - Following location of electric conduit
  - Following installation of shoring
  - Following backfilling and compaction
- Owner responsible for reimbursing WPCA for Inspection Fees.

The WPCA will review at next Regular Meeting in August.

5.3 27 Bush Road. This property does not have an executed Easement filed with the Town Clerk. The property is now in probate and the family wants to execute an Easement and proceed with the steps necessary to receive a grinder pump on the property. What would be the procedure for the family to receive a grinder pump? The WPCA made a recommendation to ask Fuss & O'Neill to provide a memo outlining the steps to proceed with the installation of a grinder pump. The WPCA will contact the realtor and ask someone from the estate contact the office for further instructions.

5.4 15 Cove Road, property owner, Peter Gandelman – stated the property is inhabitable and does not wish to hook up. What is the process for taking the single-family residence classification off the Assessor's Grand List? The WPCA recommended that he contact the Land Use/Zoning/Building Dept. for further direction. The WPCA Clerk will also email that department to receive their response in writing.

6.0 Project Update - The Chairman reported: All private road have been regarded; approximately 5-10 curbs/aprons to redo and this will be part of the paving; flow- meter station was turned on 2 weeks ago to read the meter; 2 incidents occurred were the value was not turned "on" at the street; Fuss & O'Neill has been inspecting wiring and Amendment No 6 has been signed; the proposal with Town of East Hampton, Vinnie Susco, Facilities Administrator was accepted, only, to work on bioxide and flow meter; A presentation by Matt Davis and co-worker, Water Resource Technologies, Vernon, CT. A blanket service contract was provided as a handout; Proposal for contract of O&M services was proposed for consideration which included discussion of: 1) Extension of warranty for the grinder pumps for total of 5 years; 2) Proposal cost for on-call issues; 4) the need for winterization? The recommendation was to leave the power on during the winter months; fill a bathtub several times and allow draining to run clean water through the system. A homeowner Do's and Don'ts presentation could be arranged.

7.0 Application Review – none

8.0 Possible Action Item –

- 8.1 Fuss & O'Neill, Inc., Invoice #0165726 dated 6/20/13, \$9,784.63. Moved by A. Wilder and seconded by D. Martin to approve payment of bill in the amount of \$9,784.63 from Account No. 229-5463. Motion unanimously approved.
  - 8.2 Fuss & O'Neill, Inc., Invoice # #0166433 dated 7/24/13, \$9,526.59. Moved by D. Martin and seconded by A. Wilder to approve payment of bill in the amount of \$9,526.59 from Account No. 229-5463. Motion unanimously approved.
  - 8.3 Waller, Smith & Palmer, P.C., #53660 dated 6/30/13, \$1,087.50. Moved by A. Wilder and seconded by P. Oliver to approve payment of bill, #53660 dated 6/30/13 in the amount of \$1087.50. Motion unanimously approved.
  - 8.4 Chronicle Printing Co., Invoice #157/Account #982, \$697.93. Moved by S. Farrick and seconded by A. Wilder to approve payment of bill in the amount of \$697.93. Motion unanimously approved.
- 9.0 Treasurer's Report – none.
- 10.0 Topics for next Agenda – regular items; 500 Deepwood Drive.
- 11.0 Adjourn Special Meeting – Moved by A. Wilder and seconded by S. Farrick to adjourn the Regular Meeting at 9:50 p.m. Motion unanimously approved.

Respectfully Submitted,

Brenda Bennett, Clerk

Dated August 5, 2013 (*Minutes are unapproved as of transcription date.*)