

AVON WATER POLLUTION CONTROL AUTHORITY

July 14, 2011

Selectmen's Chambers 5:30 pm

Town of Avon

I. CALL TO ORDER

The Avon Water Pollution Control Authority was called to order at 5:32 pm by Michael Farrell.

Present: Thomas Armstrong
Lawrence Baril, Town Engineer
Jim Miller
Michael Farrell
Terry Ryan

Absent: Eric Johansen

II. MINUTES OF PRECEDING MEETING – June 9, 2011

Mr. Armstrong provided comments on the minutes from the June 9, 2011 meeting pertaining to Old Business number 2010-9.

MOTION: Mr. Farrell made a motion for approval of the June 9, 2011 minutes, as amended. The motion, seconded by Mr. Miller, received unanimous approval.

Mr. Farrell inquired about agenda item number VII from the June meeting regarding repair to Meadowbrook and Route 44 pump stations and whether \$420,000 will cover these projects. Mr. Baril responded that the pump station repairs will not require supplemental appropriation and the \$420,000 will cover the repair costs. These are capital, sewer fund projects.

III. COMMUNICATION FROM THE AUDIENCE – None

IV. NEW BUSINESS

2011-5 Election of Officer - Mr. Farrell noted the need to elect a Vice-Chairman. Mr. Farrell spoke to Mr. Eric Johansen and he had no aversion in becoming the Vice-Chairman.

MOTION: Mr. Farrell made a motion to elect Mr. Johansen as the Vice-Chairman of the AWPCA. The motion, seconded by Mr. Armstrong, received unanimous approval.

2011-6 Accept Avonwood Road Mainline Extension – Mr. Baril noted all documents have been submitted such as title policies, easements and as-built maps. Mr. Baril noted the AWPCA needs to agree to take ownership. Mr. Armstrong inquired whether the sewer route is directly down the center of the road. Mr. Baril noted the route is on private property. The sewer is connected to River Meade, which is private property. Mr. Armstrong requested clarification that the Town has the right to repair and maintain. Mr. Baril provided clarification that the Town owns the easements to do the repairs as necessary.

MOTION: Mr. Farrell made a motion to accept the ownership of the Avonwood Sewer. The motion, seconded by Mr. Armstrong, received unanimous approval.

V. OLD BUSINESS –

2010-9 Haynes Road Update – Mr. Baril noted that Avon Water is working on site. There have been a couple design changes including changes due to water installation revisions and the change through Mr. Rubin's private property. The current design route is to go east on Haynes, cross West Avon, then north and east through the Avon Health property. Mr. Baril met with Mr. Schwartz of Avon Health to discuss the latest plan which Mr. Schwartz agreed to. Mr. Baril is waiting on the final draft of the sewer permit agreement. Mr. Baril noted that the members have allowed for Mr. Robertson to enter into a sewer permit agreement. The Avon Water Company have encountered design modifications based on depth to ledge, water main location and their attempt to avoid the existing water main, which is brittle. This has allowed the Engineering Department more information noting the increase of the water main by 1 to 2 feet in some locations, which has allowed the Engineering Dept. to raise their sewer system, which will cost less to construct. A resident from Longview called the Engineering Department regarding the possibility of sewers running through her neighborhood. It's about 2,800 feet from Haynes. The current design is deep enough to accommodate Sunrise, but not Longview. The sewer facility plan notes there are no sewers intended for south of Sunrise. However, Mr. Baril learned that the soil conditions on Longview are not great for septic systems. It is not illogical to expect they may be candidates for sewers in the future. Low pressure sewers could be a possibility.

Mr. Baril provided an update on his conversation with the Connecticut Gas Company. Gas service may be installed on Haynes Road but does not have confirmation.

2011 – 3 Fats, Oils and Grease (FOG) Tom Armstrong provided an overview of the documents he prepared for the FOG program. He requested input from members based on questions which arose from editing the documents, such as type of grease traps, fee schedule, inspections and signature requirements for the application. Mr. Farrell inquired about the timeline of the meeting and when the official vote will occur. Mr. Baril responded that it will likely occur in early October.

VI PLANNING & ZONING MATTERS – None

VII COMMUNICATION FROM STAFF – None

VIII COMMUNICATION FROM MEMBERS – Mr. Farrell has confirmed he had an opportunity to comment on the sewer permit agreement for the Haynes Road sewer and his comments have been submitted. Mr. Ryan also mentioned he had an opportunity to review the same agreement as did the rest of the members.

IX OTHER BUSINESS – None

X ADJOURNMENT

MOTION: Mr. Farrell motioned to adjourn the meeting at 6:25 pm. The motion, seconded by Mr. Miller received unanimous approval.

Respectfully submitted,
Suzanne Essex, Clerk