

**AVON WATER POLLUTION CONTROL AUTHORITY****February 9, 2012****Selectmen's Chambers 5:30 pm****Town of Avon****I. CALL TO ORDER**

The Avon Water Pollution Control Authority was called to order at 5:36 pm by Mr. Farrell.

Present: Thomas Armstrong  
Michael Farrell  
Eric Johansen  
Terry Ryan  
Lawrence Baril, Town Engineer

Absent: James Miller

Audience Members Include: Paul Dombrowski, Vice President, Senior Technical Leader,  
Woodard & Curran,  
Roger Ignazio, WPCA Superintendent, Town of Canton

**II. MINUTES OF PRECEDING MEETING – December 8, 2011**

MOTION: Mr. Farrell made a motion for approval of the December 8, 2011 minutes.  
The motion, seconded by Mr. Armstrong, received unanimous approval.

**III. COMMUNICATION FROM THE AUDIENCE – None****IV NEW BUSINESS –****2012- 1 – Ensign-Bickford Avon Park North Master Plan**

Mr. Baril provided background on the Ensign-Bickford's mixed use development plan for the Avon Village Center (Avon Park North). The current step in the process centers around zone changes to the property. Avon P&Z has required that EBCo. prepare a Master Plan to illustrate their intentions and to provide a framework for the development. The plan is not intended to be a construction document. The intent is to fully sewer the entire area. As part of the review process, EBCo. was directed to study the sanitary sewer capacity of existing on-site and affected downstream sewers. Fuss & O'Neill was commissioned and prepared a report which Mr. Baril reviewed and requested additional detail. Mr. Farrell raised a concern about possible root intrusion and the size of existing sewers. Mr. Baril concluded by reiterating Ensign-Bickford is in the zone change review and the pods will look differently once a developer provides their plan. Therefore, capacity issues need to be addressed on a grander scale with Ensign-Bickford as a single owner, rather than working with nine different developers.

**2012 – 2 Meadowbrook Pump Station Generator** – Mr. Baril noted the emergency motor needs to be removed and a generator should be installed. He has received a quote from a vendor who indicated that an appropriate generator for the application will cost approximately \$24,000. Mounting and wiring costs are extra. Mr. Baril noted the generator would be above ground. Mr. Armstrong recommended a fence should surround the generator. Mr. Baril continued to mention the money used for this project will be funds that were previously allocated for the Haynes Road Sewer Project. The remaining funds will return to the sewer fund. Mr. Baril noted the Route 44 Pump Station should be more accessible which led to a discussion regarding confined space. Mr. Farrell recommended Mr. Baril contact the UCONN Deputy Fire Chief, Mr. Gregory Priest. Mr. Farrell inquired about what the responsibility is to ensure there is adequate service for confined space. Mr. Farrell suggested continuing conversation regarding confined space under Communication from Members. Mr. Baril concluded that eventually he will request a resolution to be addressed to Town Council and Finance from the AWPCA for the Meadowbrook Pump Station upgrade. He wants to wait on this until he has all of the quotes in place so real costs are known.

## V. OLD BUSINESS

### **2011 – 11 - Canton WPCA request for revised sewer shed and inter-municipal agreement modifications**

Mr. Dombrowski of Woodard and Curran, representing the Town of Canton, presented a draft agreement regarding Town of Canton's interest to provide sanitary sewer service in the Southeast corner of Canton via Avon Sewer System and Simsbury WPCF. Mr. Dombrowski requested that the Town of Avon Engineering Department develop a map to accompany the agreements. Mr. Farrell requested Mr. Baril review the agreement and ensure that I & I issues and FOG compliance are addressed. Mr. Baril noted that Simsbury charge to Avon is initially an estimate and is reconciled after a 2-year period. Discussion included the procedure for moving the contract forward. Mr. Baril suggested the Town of Canton's attorney should review before sending to the Town of Avon's attorney. Mr. Baril recommended the relationship between the Towns of Avon and Canton should be one where Canton provides Avon the water usage data and Avon sends Canton a bill. The Town of Canton should be treated as a customer. Mr. Baril will provide Mr. Dombrowski with feedback based on his conversation with Fuss and O'Neill regarding any potential capacity issues with Canton.

### **2009-9 - Sewer Use Fees**

Mr. Farrell noted that no action was required as an anticipated audience member was not present.

**2010 – 9 Haynes Road Update** – Mr. Baril noted that a revised sewer permit agreement was executed and recorded since the original agreement was not conducive for indexing purposes. The amended agreement includes parcel owner names indicating payment status to Sunlight Construction, Inc. and/or The Town of Avon. Also, Hemlock Construction Company was removed from the amended agreement as the project was below the threshold of a required bond.

## VI PLANNING & ZONING MATTERS – None

## VII COMMUNICATION FROM STAFF – None

VIII COMMUNICATION FROM MEMBERS – Mr. Farrell suggested moving the April 12<sup>th</sup> AWPCA meeting to April 19<sup>th</sup> to accommodate Mr. Miller's schedule. Mr. Farrell attended the February Town Council meeting where he provided an update on current and past AWPCA projects. Also, Mr. Farrell inquired about confined space and the responsibilities associated with proper training and the availability of safety equipment and resources available from the Town of Avon Fire Department. Per Mr. Farrell's request, Mr. Ryan has agreed to investigate this topic further and provide feedback to the members for the March meeting. Mr. Baril commented that there are 2,400 manholes and four pump stations in the Town of Avon. He also noted he met with a CIRMA representative on three occasions to discuss a training program. Mr. Baril mentioned he will reconfirm with Mr. Lord the date of April 19<sup>th</sup> to meet with the AWPCA. Mr. Farrell provided additional items to be included for the seminar. Mr. Baril provided an update on Mr. Foster.

## IX OTHER BUSINESS – None

## X ADJOURNMENT

**MOTION:** Mr. Farrell motioned to adjourn the meeting at 7:00 pm. The motion, seconded by Mr. Armstrong, received unanimous approval.

Respectfully submitted,  
Suzanne Essex, Clerk