

AVON WATER POLLUTION CONTROL AUTHORITY

May 10, 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 5:35 pm by Mr. Johansen.

Present: Thomas Armstrong
Eric Johansen
James Miller
Terry Ryan
Lawrence Baril, Town Engineer

Absent: Michael Farrell

II. MINUTES OF PRECEDING MEETING – April 19, 2012

Mr. Johansen inquired whether members had questions or comments about the minutes from April. Mr. Armstrong noted he had a few corrections which he reviewed with Ms. Essex.

MOTION: Mr. Johansen made a motion for approval of the April 19, 2012 minutes. The motion, seconded by Mr. Ryan, received unanimous approval.

III. COMMUNICATION FROM THE AUDIENCE – None

IV NEW BUSINESS – None

V. OLD BUSINESS

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

Mr. Baril noted he has not heard from the Town of Canton and suggested to table the agenda item until Town of Canton contacts the Town of Avon.

2012 – 5 Sewer permit agreement for Frank Sidoti (43 Vermillion & 52 Pheasant Run)

– Mr. Baril provided an overview regarding the applicant, Mr. Sidoti and his request to develop a lot. Mr. Sidoti intends to develop a lot which was approved for a septic system but the cost was in excess of \$50,000. He inquired about a low pressure system through the right-of-way but the Town does not allow a private utility in the public right-of-way. An alternate suggestion presented to Mr. Sidoti included extending sewers on Pheasant Run. He would like to extend the mainline sewer by 135 feet. This option included connecting the proposed lot through an easement on the adjacent lot and then into the mainline sewer, which is not an uncommon plan with the Engineering Department. Mr. Sidoti will bear the costs of all of the improvements. Mr. Sidoti and his neighbor will sign an agreement, which will be filed on the land records, acknowledging they know they are responsible for an assessment should the sewers extend past their property frontages. There will be a connection charge but there is not a current assessment. They will maintain the road cut for a period of time. They will follow the same, rigorous standards developers follow for mainline extension projects. Their plan has been reviewed and is in compliance with AWPCA requirements. The sewer permit agreement has been through legal review, both on the Town's side and with Mr. Sidoti. Mr. Baril said he would need the AWPCA to make a resolution to allow Brandon Robertson to enter into a sewer permit agreement with Frank Sidoti.

MOTION Mr. Armstrong made a motion to authorize Brandon Robertson to enter into an agreement with Mr. Sidoti and his neighbor pursuant to the terms reached and specifically that if sewers are extended at those lines, they understand and agree that they will be assessed at that point in time.

Based on a member's inquiry, Mr. Baril provided confirmation that these terms are in the agreement.

The motion, seconded by Mr. Ryan, received unanimous approval.

VI PLANNING & ZONING MATTERS – None

VII COMMUNICATION FROM STAFF – Mr. Baril provided an update on Mr. Foster.

VIII COMMUNICATION FROM MEMBERS – Mr. Johansen relayed information he received from Mr. Farrell that he has a proposal that he would like to discuss at the next AWPCA meeting regarding senior hardship. Mr. Armstrong inquired about the recent news regarding the Town of Farmington's plan to install low pressure sewers in a specific area of Farmington. Mr. Baril will meet with Mr. Russell Arnold, Director of Public Works with Farmington and will have additional information after talking to Mr. Arnold. Discussion included the implications of having a pump system during a power outage, similar to the fall storm. Mr. Baril noted the recent notice that the Town of Simsbury proposes an increase in sewer use fee and will follow up with Mr. Jim Clifton from the Town of Simsbury. Mr. Baril provided an update on the Meadowbrook Pump Station proposed renovation project. Mr. Baril provided an update regarding the Haynes Road sewer project. Although two crews are on site installing sewer laterals, the completion date is more likely to be closer to July 1, 2012. Proper testing will be completed before sewer is accepted for flow. Discussion was held regarding the sewer quarterly report. Mr. Baril noted it's a healthy account and if members had specific questions, he could invite the Finance Director for the Town of Avon to attend a meeting.

IX OTHER BUSINESS – None

X ADJOURNMENT

MOTION: Mr. Johansen motioned to adjourn the meeting at 6:15 pm. The motion, seconded by Mr. Ryan, received unanimous approval.

Respectfully submitted,
Suzanne Essex, Clerk