

AVON WATER POLLUTION CONTROL AUTHORITY**July 11, 2013****Selectmen's Chambers, 5:30 pm****Town of Avon****I. CALL TO ORDER**

The Avon Water Pollution Control Authority was called to order at 5:39 pm by Mr. Farrell.

Present: Michael Farrell
Eric Johansen
Tom Armstrong
Jim Miller
Terry Ryan
Lawrence Baril, Town Engineer

II. MINUTES OF PRECEDING MEETING – June 13, 2013

MOTION: Mr. Farrell made a motion for approval of the June 13, 2013 minutes. The motion, seconded by Mr. Miller, received unanimous approval.

III. COMMUNICATION FROM THE AUDIENCE - None**IV NEW BUSINESS - None****V. OLD BUSINESS**

2012 – 10 Sewer Extension for Avonside - Mr. Baril mentioned the next step is to contact Avon Old Farms School and to have the AWPCA approve or disapprove the project. The paving of Avonside is on the Avon Public Works' list although the status of this is unknown by the AWPCA.

2012 – 14 I and I Study at Riverdale Farms – Mr. Baril noted the smoke test was telling. There were about six or seven downspouts from buildings which will be addressed by the Brighenti's who will complete a discharge-to-grade procedure. Although there is not a meter, one can tell by pump activity given the interval and the duration pump, which is informative.

2013 – 5 Easement Access Management Report – Mr. Ryan noted once the project is approved financially, the project can move forward.

2013 – 7 Assessment Conveyance – Mr. Armstrong reviewed the literature he gathered and shared with members which included statutes pertaining to the financial liability terms for a homeowner connecting to a municipal sewer. The literature did not provide definitive direction on how an assessment should be handled when there's a transfer of ownership. Mr. Armstrong mentioned he will continue to investigate.

2013 – 8 Sewer Connection Requirements – Mr. Baril noted there have been recent requests for pool houses connecting to the public sewer and which department has jurisdiction mandating the connection route and pipe specifics. The AWPCA manual states the AWPCA has control over such connections. Mr. Baril reiterated the policy that a pool house cannot connect to the main house sewer connection,

rather it needs to go directly to the mainline (or to the existing house lateral) unless certain, unique circumstances arise which will be handled on a case by case basis.

Additionally, there was a question which arose from a resident inquiring whether she would need to connect to the public sewer if there were sewer laterals in her street. The specific rule pertaining to mandatory sewer connections for new construction and existing buildings was discussed and provides language for responding to future inquiries.

VI PLANNING & ZONING MATTERS – None

VII COMMUNICATION FROM STAFF – None

VIII COMMUNICATION FROM MEMBERS – Mr. Armstrong noted he contacted Farmington Valley Health District regarding Septic Smart and will provide an additional update at the next meeting.

IX OTHER BUSINESS –. None

X ADJOURNMENT -

MOTION: Mr. Farrell motioned to adjourn the meeting at 6:15 p.m. The motion, seconded by Mr. Miller, received unanimous approval.

Respectfully submitted,
Suzanne Essex, Clerk