

**Town of Beacon Falls  
Water Pollution Control Authority  
10 Maple Ave  
Beacon Falls, CT 06403**



## **REGULAR MEETING MINUTES, FEBRUARY 14, 2012**

### **I. Call to Order**

Chairman Smith called the meeting to order at 8:25 p.m.

Present: Chairman Jeffrey Smith, Commissioners: Robert Pruzinsky, James Weed, David Finn, Charles Edwards and Richard Komar.

Also Present: James Galligan, Town Engineer Walter Opuszynski, Treatment Plant Manager, Jay Sheehan, Woodard and Curran and Maryann Kempa, Clerk.

**Comments from the Public – none**

**Minutes – January**

**Motion was made by Commissioner Edwards and seconded by Commissioner Weed to accept the minutes with noted changes.**

**Discussion: None      Vote: 6 in favor      Abstained: 0      Opposed: 0**

**New Applications – none**

**Old Business**

### **Region 16 High School**

Chairman Smith stated that the grounds manager has not returned his calls. This matter will be kept on the agenda.

### **Industrial Park – Lancaster Drive, J. Martin**

Chairman Smith stated that the return receipt from the certified letter has been received. A letter will be sent to the building inspector that no building permits or certificates of occupancy are to be issued to the Industrial Park, Lancaster Drive. This matter is to be kept on the agenda.

### **Sewer Service Area Map**

James Galligan, Town Engineer stated that the sewer service area map has been presented to the Council of Governments. This matter will be kept on the agenda.

**Nitrogen & Phosphorus Removal – Treatment Plant**

Jay Sheehan of Woodard and Curran came before the board to give an update on the nitrogen project. He stated a menu of options is to be presented to the Town. They are currently going through the Clean Water Checklist for the proposal. The user fee was discussed with the First Selectman which will be investigated. The study can be done without having rates. There were questions regarding funding from the State if there is no user fee. The funding can be obtained for the plant study without a user fee. There will be no funding for construction. To be compliant to get funding from the State a copy of the RFQ, information regarding scoring sheet or how a decision was made has to be sent to the State before a plan is approved. Town Engineer, James Galligan asked that a list of the process be emailed to him. Jay Sheehan stated that what the State demands is hundreds of thousands of dollars. The State funds 60% of planning. It is a larger number than was previously discussed because it is following the State's guidelines. The original proposal to this board was just looking at the plant nitrogen, phosphorus removal and a little energy efficiency. Commissioner Edwards' suggested to see what the minimum is that is needed to fulfill the obligation to the State versus going all the way and get funding from the State. It may cost two or three times what is really needed. Jim Galligan, Town Engineer stated that First Selectman Smith requested a price to do the nitrogen and phosphorus removal, then a price in a menu form for the others items that can then be analyzed.

Jay Sheehan mentioned the connection into the sewer line by O&G. They have a small evaluation contract. A meeting will be held on February 15, 2012 at 1:30 p.m. The board previously approved the wash plant at the cement plant. The water that is currently recycled is no longer usable for O&G as it is affecting the quality of the cement. They want to discharge this water into the sewer line. Without treatment it will be over 12 on the Ph. Part of the evaluation will be for them to drop the Ph to 8.3 – 8.4 before it is received by the Treatment Plant. Requirements and restrictions need to be determined by the board. There is a partial set of plans. Originally O&G was to tie into the line before the pump station. Now they will go back into the line 60 feet closer to the concrete plant which is upstream. A grease trap and a flow meter were part of the approval. There was no stipulation on the quality of the water that will be received. A fee is also to be determined. It is being researched as to how the chemicals going in will affect the plant. It will be approximately 2,000 to 4,000 gallons per day. These matters were discussed with Ken Faroni, O&G.

Walter Opuszynski, Plant Supervisor stated that there is a problem with the UV control panel at the plant. It was installed five years ago; there is no way to repair it. He is looking to upgrade the panel. He would like Woodard and Curran to look into the technical part.

Jay Sheehan stated they will be consulting with Jim Galligan, Town Engineer. The plan will then go to the board for review and then to the State.

**West Road – Blockage/Pressure Line/Storm Drain**

Chairman Smith stated that a CBYD has been done. The camera could not get up the line. The snake was put through to clean the line but it stopped at the same spot and could not get through. The next option is to dig it up and take measurements for a future manhole.

**New Business**

Chairman Smith stated that across the street from the pump station there is a house that tied into the sanitary sewer. They did get a permit. There is no tie in fee as there is an assessment as it is part of the Rimmon Hill Sewer Project. When the contractor installed the line there was no stone or filter fabric. The piping was good. The contractor was required to dig it out, installed the stone and filter fabric as required.

**Treatment Plant Report**

Monthly report for January was received.

**Payment of Bills**

M. Kempa

**Motion was made by Commissioner Edwards and seconded by Commissioner Komar to pay the bill as submitted.**

**Discussion: None    Vote: 6 in favor    Abstained: 0    Opposed: 0**

Water Resources Technology – Invoice 37 Rimmon Hill Road.

**Motion was made by Commissioner Weed and seconded by Commissioner Komar to pay the bill as submitted.**

**Discussion: None    Vote: 6 in favor    Abstained: 0    Opposed: 0**

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**Motion was made by Commissioner Edwards and seconded by Commissioner Komar to pay the bill as submitted.**

**Discussion: None    Vote: 6 in favor    Abstained: 0    Opposed: 0**

**Correspondence**

Planning and Zoning Minutes

Letter from First Selectman dated January 12, 2012 re: reappointment of Robert Pruzinsky to the board. Term to expire 11/09/2017.

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Letter from First Selectman dated January 12, 2012 re: reappoint of Richard Komar to the board. Term to expire 11/09/2017.

Interoffice Memo from First Selectman dated January 11, 2012 re: Monthly Postings to Town's Website – Meeting Agendas and Meeting Minutes.

Interoffice Memo from First Selectman dated January 11, 2012 re: 2012/2013 Municipal Budget.

**Executive Session – none**

**Petitions from Commissioners – none**

**Motion was made by Commissioner Edwards and seconded by Commissioner Weed to adjourn the meeting at 8:45 p.m.**

Respectfully submitted,



Maryann Kempa, Clerk