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TOWN OF NEWTOWN
WATER AND SEWER AUTHORITY

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Richard Conte
Alan Shepard
Eugene Vetrano
Carl Zencey

The Water and Sewer Authority held its regular meeting on January 13, 2011 at the Waste Water Treatment Plant, 24 Commerce Road, Newtown, CT. Chairman Zang called the meeting to order at 7:25pm.

Present: Richard Zang, Carl Zencey, Gene Vetrano, Richard Conte

Absent: Lou Carbone, Marianne Brown, Alan Shepard

Also Present: Fred Hurley, Director of Public Works, Scott Sambade of Maplewood Communities, Bert Dourfman, property owner of the Woods, Mt. Pleasant Road, Dan Walton of Toll Brothers.

Public Participation – NONE

Approval of Minutes – The previously distributed minutes of the regular meeting of 12/9/10 were unanimously approved.

OLD BUSINESS

Gallons processed vs gallons billed study/flow monitoring – Fred Hurley reported that some of the pipes in the system are larger than we anticipated so they purchased larger weirs. Dick Zang reminded that the meters need to be moved to a new location to collect further data.

Sewer mapping - Tabled

Capital Needs/SCADA system, new well, water distribution system – Fred Hurley reported that Julio Segarra has more information on the SCADA system and will put together a package that will be sent to the members.

USGS update/Stream gauges - Tabled

Fairfield Hills sewer service area – Tabled

Renewable Energy Project – Fred Hurley handed out a project quote from OPEL Solar. There are two grants that the WSA can apply. The Federal grant is more lucrative. Dick will run the numbers to see if the payback is any better than first proposed. Another option is wind which needs to be looked at as well.

Sewer Benefit Assessment/Newtown High School, 12 Berkshire Road – Carl Zencey moved to set the benefit assessment of addition and alterations at the Newtown High School, 12 Berkshire Road at \$93,100, Richard Conte Seconded, motion unanimously accepted.

Sewer Benefit Assessment/Walgreens, 49 South Main Street – Carl Zencey moved to set the benefit assessment for Walgreens, 49 South Main Street at \$22,000, Gene Vetrano seconded motion unanimously accepted.

Sewer Benefit Assessment/Toll Brothers, Mt. Pleasant Road known as the Woods at Newtown – Carl Zencey moved to set the benefit assessment of \$700,000 for a multi-family property at Mt. Pleasant Road known as the Woods at Newtown. Gene Vetrano seconded. Mr. Dourfman requests that this matter be tabled so they can have the opportunity to meet with Mr. Hurley and the appraiser. When the Woods took over the property there was no material change. Richard Conte moved to table the discussion of the benefit assessment, Carl Zencey seconded, motion unanimously accepted.

NEW BUSINESS

Report by United Water Environmental Services – No one from United Water Environmental Service Inc was present. A copy of their monthly operating report is attached.

Report by Public Works Director – There is renewed interest in the property at exit 9. As plans develop further the WSA will consider options for extending and financing the Hawleyville sewer.

The State Appellate Court ruled in favor of Dauti Construction, LLC and ordered that a connection permit be issued for the affordable housing project. The Town or the WSA has until February 7th to petition the State Supreme Court to hear an appeal that would have implications beyond just the Dauti project.

Any other business – NONE

Having no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 8:30pm

Attachments: Project Quote from OPEL
Financial model for OPEL project
United Water Environmental Services Monthly Operating Report

Arlene Miles, Clerk