Minutes of the Seymour WPCA special meeting for May 6th, 2008 at 6:00 pm - at the Sewer Facility

**Members Present:** John Fanotto, Stephen Chucta, Lou DeBarber and Charles Bellavance

**Members Not Present:** Jon Livolsi

**Others present:** Tony Bellao, Project Manager Veolia Water Jon Marro, Atty. Richard Bruchal, Jim Galligan and other members of the public.

John Fanotto called the meeting to order at 6:10pm.

The pledge of allegiance was given.

**Stephen Chucta** made a motion, John Fanotto 2nd, to accept the April 1st, 2008 minutes. Motion passed 2-0-2 abstentions (Charles Bellavance and Lou DeBarber).

**11 Moss Avenue** - Kevin & Holly Berte were in attendance to sign a release for the WPCA and accept $1,000 check for carpet replacement that was a result of a sewer backup in their cellar. Discussion ensued about the cleanup and resolution of the problem. Mr. and Mrs. Berte both thanked Tony Bellao for all of his help.

**Sewer Use for Katherine Matthies & French Park** - The board discussed the amount of the past bills paid as regards Katherine Matthies Park, wondering why the amount of water consumed was so high. After a review of the submitted sewer use bills, and advised by Atty. Richard Bruchal, the board decided to have Tony Bellao (with Public Work Dept.) investigate the water meter at Katherine Matthies Park. Additionally, John Fanotto asked Atty. Bruchal to look into new DPUC rules about the number of years to “look back” in the case of malfunctioning water meter and if it affects the WPCA sewer use bills that would be in error.

**Veolia water report** - Tony Bellao reported on the maintenance and operations of the plant. Of note; the Oxford HS caused a water flow problem (pump failed) that registered on the Titus pump station during an evening – the matter was resolved and now there is a contact list for the Town of Oxford WPCA for any future occurrences. Also, the subject of septic dumpers was addressed; there was an incident of an unidentified septic dumper leaving sewage and not coming in to properly identify themselves or submitting PH. It was decided that a letter is to be given to all septic
companies that failure to submit to proper procedure is to be grounds for denial of service and will be reported to the DEP regarding their septic dumper’s license.

Income report- Jon Marro submitted this to the board.

Finance Report- this was submitted to the board.

Budget Workshop: Discussion centered around budgeted versus actual year-to-date expenses. Also discussed was how much would legal, engineering, contracted costs and maintenance have to be increased in the upcoming budget for FY 08-09. In addition, collection rates of sewer use were discussed. Final budgetary numbers will be presented, discussed and finalized next month.

Invoices: The following were submitted to the WPCA board for authorization.

- Atty. Richard Bruchal $2,750.00
- PSG $92,337.29
- Nafis & Young $588.75
- Nafis & Young $400.00
- Nafis & Young $3,728.75
- Nafis & Young $157.00
- Nafis & Young $700.00
- Nafis & Young $1,413.00
- Nafis & Young $5,495.00
- Watson Marlow $5,215.00
- Komar Construction $7,500.00

Stephen Chucta made a motion, Lou DeBarber 2nd, to pay the above invoices. Motion passed 4-0.

Legal Report- Atty. Bruchal asked that the board go into executive session, in order to discuss upcoming legal actions. At 7:00pm Charles Bellavance made a motion, Stephen Chucta 2nd, to go into executive session. Motion passed 4-0. At 7:02pm, Stephen Chucta, Lou DeBarber 2nd, to leave executive session with no motions made and no votes taken. Motion passed 4-0.

Engineering Report – Jim Galligan reported that inspections are still proceeding, the O&M manual is near completed, and he is working with Atty. Bruchal on 51 Stanley.

Public Comment- none.

Stephen Chucta made a motion, Charles Bellavance 2nd, to adjourn the meeting at 7:03. Motion passed 4-0.