



SEYMOUR WATER POLLUTION CONTROL AUTHORITY

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The Seymour WPCA Regular Meeting –March 2nd, 2010- 6p.m. at the Sewer Plant.

Members Present: John Fanotto, Stephen Chucta, Lou DeBarber, Jon Livolsi and Alexander Danka

Others present: Carey Strout, Veolia Water Plant Manager, Jon Marro, Attorney Steven Kulas, Jim Galligan, PE, and other members of the public.

John Fanotto brought the meeting to order at 6:00pm

The pledge of Allegiance was given.

Stephen Chucta made a motion, Jon Livolsi 2nd, to accept the Feb 2nd 2010 Minutes. Motion passed 3-0-2 abstentions (Lou DeBarber and Alexander Danka).

ADS- a representative of ADS wanted to be able to address the bill. John Fanotto stated that the engineering requirements were supposed to be addressed by this meeting (Jim Galligan only received them 1 day prior to the meeting). John Fanotto reminded the ADS representative that the WPCA has not imposed any \$250 a day fines (as allowed in the WPCA regulations), and to consider that while looking at the bill for the cleanup for the oil spill. **Jon Livolsi** made a motion, Stephen Chucta 2nd, to table this until next meeting. Motion passed 5-0.

Oakridge-James Swift, P.E. – Mr. Swift brought in front of the board, a plan for connecting 10 Multi-Family Units to the sanitary sewer. The plan was to connect via Old Drive and is going to be a private sewer. Jim Galligan has submitted a set of technical issues that need to be completed, and John Fanotto also directed that each unit is to have its own lateral (10 total). Discussion ensued about the technical issues that need to be addressed. Jim Galligan will determine the impact fees for next meeting. Jon Livolsi made a motion, Stephen Chucta 2nd, to accept this and table this for next month's meeting. Motion passed 5-0.

Veolia Water reports-

Carey Strout reported on the BOD, TSS and average flow for the plant. The repairs for the 2ndary clarifier are completed with stainless steel. Sump pump in basement has been replaced. #3 RAS pump needs a new VFD- as it is fried. B& J electric gave a quote for \$2471.00 to replace the VFD; **Jon Livolsi** made a motion, Lou DeBarber 2nd to approve the purchase the new VFD. Motion passed 5-0.

875 South Main Street had a backup, the main sewer was clear, but a large amount of roots were removed from the sewer. John Fanotto directed that Carey Strout have sewer crew check the South Main street sewer again, as to prevent any blockage.

Income Report- This was submitted to the board.

Atty. Kulas reported that he is ready for collections from customers who owe more than \$1,000.

Computer Issues- Carey Strout reported on the billing computer failing. Jon Marro continued with explanation about how the computer was slowly failing, and what the computer requirements for the sewer use program and sewer assessment program. Discussion ensued about various computers, and Jon Marro presented a computer (case and components only) quote for approx. \$775. **Jon Livolsi** made a motion, Lou DeBarber 2nd, authorize up to \$1,000 to purchase new computer and screen. Motion passed 5-0.

Jon Marro then brought up the issue about the "wide format" ledger printer for the GIS system. A quote from Hewlett Packard was for \$229.00 was presented, and discussion ensued as to the needs of said printer for GIS. **Alexander Danka** made a motion, Jon Livolsi 2nd, to authorize up to \$300.00

John Fanotto asked Atty. Kulas to ask if the town of Seymour would pay for a part of the Sewer Assessment software.

Finance Report- This was submitted to the board.

Invoices- The following invoices (see attached) were presented for payment authorization.

Jon Livolsi made a motion, Stephen Chucta 2nd, to authorize the invoices for payment. Motion passed 5-0.

4 Manners Avenue- Atty. Kulas reported no contact from homeowners.

John Fanotto asked about the status of the Siphon Cleaning- Carey Strout reported that the permit from the Railroad to work in the area is still needed; Jim Galligan then stated once he got what the railroad needs (in terms of permit) he would draw up and submit plans, then contact the contractor (John J. Brennan) to give a quote. John Fanotto stated that if the price is more than bid price- the project would go out to bid.

Legal Report-

Easement Clearing- Atty. Kulas reported that the Inland/Wetlands board will not budge on permitting, but the First Selectman assures that a permit will be granted if an application is filed; even if a special meeting has to be called. Atty. Kulas; the board can comply with what the Inlands/Wetlands wants or clear the easements w/o permit.

Discussion ensued about the ramifications of each actions.

To submit an application to the Inlands/wetlands the costs involved in 3 miles of easements would be huge, Jim Galligan estimated at least \$100,000 for all the work

involved for such an application. John Fanotto stated that public works and board of education are not required to apply to clear brush. The easements in question were either before the Wetlands/Inlands board or were approved by the Wetlands/Inlands board with the right to maintain in the writing of the easement. Discussion ensued about the enforcement and the qualifications of the Inlands/Wetlands board.

Discussion ensued as why the WPCA Board has been waiting to clear these easements, and how the DEP would be involved if there is a Inlands/Wetlands injunction versus the WPCA board. Discussion also ensued about the WPCA qualifications to give expert testimony on sewer issues. The board & Jim Galligan recounted an involvement with an easement near South Main Street for Mr. Danka's benefit to give him an idea as to the scope of the project.

Motion made (Jon Livolsi with Lou DeBarber 2nd) as follows;

The easements are in place prior to inland/wetlands or were approved by inland/wetlands and all easements have the wording "maintenance". The end result will be the same whether with or without the permits, and the board believes that they do not need them. No evidence has been given that it is necessary to receive a permit. The work is going to be 7 to 10 feet from center, with no excavation, no soil disturbance, no construction, no extension of sewer lines, and no stump removal. Upon review by counsel, it has not been proven that the inland/wetlands have the right to require a permit. Counsel and Engineer have not encountered a situation, or the operator of the plant, have come across a wetland permit necessity for working in/near a waterway. The environmental damage caused by a blockage in an easement or failure to maintain an easement far exceeds any permitting process and that the board is so obligated by the DEP to maintain and clear these easements. Motion passed 4-0-1 Alexander Danka abstaining.

Insurance Update- Atty. Kulas met with Veolia water Counsel, who asked if the WPCA board issued resolutions to attach Veolia to sewer court suits or was it the insurance Attorney. As it is the insurance who is naming Veolia as a "pocket", and Veolia is confident that all will be resolved in the various court cases.

Evening Star easement- Atty. Kulas reported that this was granted to the owner by the Town of Seymour (1974); half the assessment paid, a free lateral and the permission to build a garage within 2 feet of the sewer line. Atty. Kulas stated that he will have to look at each easement agreement at this point.

Jim Galligan then discussed about another easement near Evening Star (John Fanotto recused himself from this entire conversation). Atty. Kulas asked talked to property owner's attorney and will have the presentation for the board for next month. Jim Galligan wants to go forward with the Evening Star and Manners Avenue repair project bid, and starting negotiations will help him along. **Jon Livolsi** made a motion, Lou DeBarber 2nd, to authorize Atty. Kulas with the Evening Star easement. Motion passed 4-0-1 (John Fanotto recused).

Pershing Avenue Easement- The easement is in place and Atty. Kulas will receive something in writing from Dave Nafis regarding this; forward this to Nicholas Halko (owner).

Engineering-

Manhole Rings- No more than (any construction or modification) 3 inches of adjustment of rings. In some places the manhole rings are not being locked in by asphalt.

Discussion ensued as to the technical details of how the manhole rings are secured and of the North Street manhole and paving situation.

Jim Galligan is having 12 more manholes repaired with 3 contractors (Pat Knott, Tim Sadick and Rich Komar).

Brook Street- waiting on ARRA funding, per Jim Galligan. Discussion ensued about the lack of sewer situation.

Jon Livolsi asked about the status of the old white van. Atty. Kulas was tasked to ask the 1st selectman about a possible use or charitable donation of the van.

DEP has come up with a funding plan (up to \$30,000) for enhancing nitrogen removal, and Carey Strout informed the board that he is applying for said money with the help of Veolia water technical staff.

Carey Strout informed the board that a new Area Manager John Oatley is taking over. He wishes to meet the board during one of the meetings.

22 Rennay Road – Jim Galligan reported that the area is going to be surveyed. Jim Galligan was also directed to do a title search.

Jim Galligan also reported that a VFD on the Blowers in the plant- you cannot put a VFD on this blower. The Blower and the VFD would have to be made together.

Public Comment- None

Stephen Chucta made a motion, Jon Livolsi 2nd, to adjourn the meeting. Motion passed 5-0. Meeting adjourned at 7:53pm.

RE: Invoices to be paid

The following invoices were submitted to the finance department for payment on March 3, 2009

Company	Invoice #	Amount	Date Paid
PSG	715612	\$81,081.24	
Nafis & Young	128-10	\$2,394.25.	
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		\$	
McVac	35374	\$1,354.50	
May & Kulas		\$631.25	
Prime Publishing, INC	63995	\$53.90	
Reliance Business Systems	54080	\$312.70	
Seymour Police	11903	\$432.12	
Seymour Police	11908	\$876.46	
Seymour Police	11930	\$432.12	

Monthly Cash Breakdown

Feb-10

<u>Date</u>	<u>Dumper</u>	<u>Insp. Permits</u>	<u>Copies, Misc & App.</u>	<u>Contractor Reg.</u>	<u>Sewer Impact</u>	<u>SEWER USEAGE</u>	<u>Deposit Amount</u>
2/1/2010	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 3,009.73	\$3,009.73
2/12/2010	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 9,100.57	\$9,100.57
2/18/2010	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 50.00	\$ 6,400.00	\$ 6,142.09	\$12,592.09
2/24/2010	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 5,950.17	\$5,950.17
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TOTALS	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$50.00	\$6,400.00	\$24,202.56	

Grand Total

\$30,652.56

March 1, 2010

Town of Seymour

WPCA

July 1, 2009 through February 28, 2009

	Cash Balance 2/28/2010	376,525.13
	Reserve Acc	297,069.04
February		
Monthly Summary	Deposits	37,918.37
	Interest	277.88
	transfers in	
	TOTAL	38,196.25
Monthly Summary	Payments	
	US Filter	81,081.24
Cap Improvement	Komar Const	31,675.00
	B&J Electric Motor	
	R.S Site & Septic	
	Tracom	
	Flowmotion	
	Traver Electric	
	Seymour Police	1,701.34
	PJS	
Engineering	Nafis & Young	12,820.75
Legal	R. Bruchal	2,250.00
Legal	May & Kulas	893.75
legal transcript	Roberta Oson	
	AT&T	
	Voices	
Misc	Bank Charge(Deposit Slips& cks)	
	McVac Environmental	9,301.70
	Michael Richards Wastewater	350.00
	Republican American	
	PT Custom Auto	205.20
	MTA	
	trans out to assessments	
	TOTAL	140,278.98