

SEYMOUR WATER POLLUTION  
CONTROL AUTHORITY

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**The Minutes of the Seymour WPCA Board –Special Meeting-  
6pm on July 6<sup>th</sup>, 2009.**

**Members Present:** John Fanotto, Lou DeBarber and Jon Livolsi.

**Members not Present:** Stephen Chucta and Charles Bellavance.

**Others Present:** Carey Strout, Plant Manger Veolia Water, Jon Marro, Atty. Richard Bruchal, and other members of the public.

John Fanotto brought the meeting to order at 6:13pm.

**The Pledge of Allegiance was given.**

**Lou DeBarber** made a motion, Jon Livolsi 2<sup>nd</sup>, to accept the June 2<sup>nd</sup> 2009 Minutes.

**Veolia water report-**

Operations and Maintenance; Carey Strout reported that the sewer plant staff TV'd the sewer pipe in back of 29 Evening Star Drive, and found that is was in great shape and was undisturbed. Mr. Strout also noted that the staff TV'd the sewer line on Birchwood for public works (because of a sinkhole in the road) and the sewer line was fine and not the cause of the sinkhole. Public works was notified.

**Belt press Capital Improvements**

Carey Strout reported that the Belt press is running badly and this needs to be resolved. The current D.O. process is impacted by the belt press inefficiency. He then submitted a list of needed improvements for the belt press- as a new belt press would cost approximately 1.2 million dollars.

This capital improvement will be in phases; the most immediate would be the Drying racks, wash bars and an air drier. The second phase would be the polymer pump system. Mr. Strout was asked to get more quotes for the installation of the various parts to see if the price could be lowered.

Discussion ensued as to the phases of the belt press and what was involved in each phase.

**Jon Livolsi** made a motion, Lou DeBarber 2<sup>nd</sup> to buy/install the drying racks, wash bars and the air drier. Motion passed 3-0.

Carey Strout then reported that the DO meter monitor that was accepted by the board last month cannot run on the 4-20 signal that the sewer plant has. Imtrol and Mr. Strout reworked the proposal; Imtrol will install and wire a PLC, a new D.O. control & meter so that the DO will be able to modify the plant blowers. Total cost \$11,085. The reasoning behind this installation is to allow increase de-nitrification and thusly extend the selling of nitrogen credits beyond the planned 2014 date. **Jon Livolsi** made a motion, Lou DeBarber 2<sup>nd</sup>, to accept the Capital Improvement of the DO system by Imtrol for \$11,085. Motion passed 3-0.

Then Carey Strout (continuing from Tony Bellao) presented 3 quotes for repairing raw sewage pumps (lift pumps) and from Hayes pumps a price for a brand new lift pump of \$24,062. After reviewing the quotes, the board decided on the Traver Electric quote of \$5,087 each (for 3 pumps). **Jon Livolsi** made a motion, Lou DeBarber 2<sup>nd</sup>, to accept the \$5,087 quote by Traver Electric. Motion passed 3-0.

The board then asked Carey Strout to have the sewer line at Birchwood ROW TV'd for next month. John Fanotto then reported on the Chatfield school building committee offering \$1,200 towards the purchase of a push camera for the inspection of a sewer later (something the sewer staff cannot do with current equipment). A brand new push camera costs between eight and nine thousand dollars, so it was decided not to purchase said camera.

**Income report-** this was submitted by Jon Marro.

**Finance report-** this was given to the board.

Discussion then ensued as to the sewer rates and the Well user rates. Jon Marro was directed to find out the average sewer use consumption, in order to compute a new average for well users, for next meeting.

**Invoices:** the following invoices (see attached) were submitted for approval.

**Jon Livolsi** made a motion, Lou DeBarber 2<sup>nd</sup>, to approve the invoices for payment. Motion passed 3-0.

#### **Legal Report-**

243 Pearl Street- Atty. Bruchal reported that after meeting and talking with the Mieczkowski's, the insurance and lawyers of the sewer backup situation, a settlement has been resolved. The insurance will pay \$15,194.38, and he recommends that the Seymour WPCA pay \$9,805.62. Discussion ensued about the various claims and the insurance process. **Lou DeBarber** made a motion, Jon Livolsi 2<sup>nd</sup>; that based on the recommendation of Attorney Bruchal, the Seymour WPCA Board approve final payment of \$9,805.62 to Jaroslaw & Yolanda Mieczkowski of 243 Pearl Street, in settlement of sewer backup claim. Motion passed 2-1 (Jon Livolsi, against).

In the future, the Chairman asked, that the sewer crews take pictures of any sewer backup damage for proof. Carey Strout stated that a digital camera has already been purchased.

Birchwood ROW issue- Atty. Bruchal reported that the Inlands/wetlands board tabled the matter until their next meeting, as they did not get a 2<sup>nd</sup> report from the State Forrester on the area. The Seymour WPCA's expert from Landtech walked through the Birchwood sewer easement, per Chairman Fanotto.

Carey Strout, for the WPCA, contacted the CTDEP (Joe Nestico & William Hogan) about this issue and both were of the opinion that a cease-and-desist order couldn't be issued for the brush clearing of the sewer easements. However, the CTDEP is having the retirement of both of these persons; Carey Strout is now working with Rowland Denny on this.

Discussion then ensued about a letter by the First Selectman, in which the WPCA board members had objections to the general tone of the letter and concerns about some talking points in the letter. In addition, the board discussed the reasons why the Inland & Wetlands board only makes the WPCA board file a permit to do mandatory brush clearing on the sewer easements. Board members asked if the Inland/Wetland board makes other utilities (Public works, DOT, MTA) file a permit to do brush clearing, or just the Seymour WPCA. Also, the possibility of hiring an administrative staff to handle these tasks might have to be looked at (as the WPCA board is volunteers), with concurrent rate raise to pay for the salaries. Atty. Richard Bruchal, for his part, will ask water pollution commissions in the surrounding towns if they have to file permits to their respective Inland/Wetlands boards to clear sewer easements.

At 7:19, **Jon Livolsi** made a motion, Lou DeBarber 2<sup>nd</sup>, to go into executive session. Motion passed 3-0.

At 7:49, the board came out of executive session, No motions were made and no votes were taken.

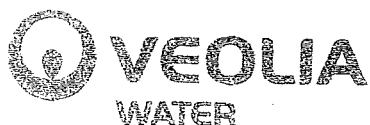
**Engineering report**- Jim Galligan (absent) informed Chairman Fanotto that the GIS is complete and will be informing the board next month.

**Public Comment:** None.

**Jon Livolsi** made a motion, Lou DeBarber 2<sup>nd</sup>, to adjourn the meeting. Motion passed 3-0

Meeting ended at 7:51pm.

Company	Invoice #	Amount	Date Paid
PSG	7012763	\$97,544.83	
Nafis & Young	252-09	\$13,089.88	
Richard Bruchal		\$375.00	
Richard Bruchal		\$2,250.00	
Connecticut DEP	DEP117763	\$2,242.50	
Connecticut DOT	RR206236	\$500.00	
JW Racing and Fabrication		\$1,026.57	
B&J Electric Motor	D37871	\$2,445.73	
Komar Construction	1043	\$26,330.00	
Komar Construction	1044	\$11,930.00	
Komar Construction	1046	\$3,300.00	



**MONTHLY OPERATING REPORT  
SEYMOUR, CONNECTICUT  
June, 2009**

**OPERATIONS**

The Seymour WPCA remained in compliance in each of the monitoring parameters through the month of June, 2009. Average data is as follows:

BOD-98% Removal (Effluent average=4.5MG/L)

TSS-97% removal (effluent average=6.3MG/L)

Flow 2.5 MGD

**MAINTENANCE**

Plant repair and maintenance items include the following:

- Replace thickener drum
- Mounted new signage
- Replaced service water pump
- Repaired polymer mixer for the thickener
- Replaced the coil for the #1 blower
- Removed all the vegetation around the abandoned tanks
- Started Plant clean up and disposal of old broken equipment
- Changed blowers from #2 to #1 to enhance BNR
- Cleaned Grit Tank and cleaned grease from wet well
- Removed all vegetation from roof tops
- Cut Grass in plant
- Cleaned dewatering area

**COLLECTION SYSTEM**

- Televised Evening Star as requested (looked fine)

- Installed a phone line at Rolling Hill pump station
- Televised Birch Hill because of a sink hole (no problem found)
- Call before you dig at Jerry's Market

### SAFETY

- Defensive Driving Class

Respectfully Submitted to the WPCA Board Members: John Fanotto, Chairman, Steve Chucta, Lou DeBarber, Charles Bellavance and Jon Livolsi

Veolia Water

Carey Strout



July 2, 2009

**Town of Seymour**

**WPCA**

July 1, 2008 through June 30, 2009

Cash Balance 6/30/2009	701,393.91
Reserve Acc	296,575.07

June  
**Monthly Summary**

<b>Deposits</b>	56,439.50
Interest	683.51
transfers in	
<b>TOTAL</b>	57,123.01

**Monthly Summary**

Cap Improvement

Engineering  
Legal  
Legal

Misc

**Payments**

US Filter	97,544.83
Waste & Water Equip	
Joseph Martinka & Sons	9,117.49
PJS LLC	351.00
W J Electric	2,776.86
Quality Data	3,575.00
Nafis & Young	13,706.00
Nafis & Young	5,524.00
R. Bruchal	2,250.00
Zender 7 Zender	375.00
Spencer Turbine	
AT&T	
Voices	
Bank Charge( Deposit Slips& cks	15.00
Jim Weed's Land clearing	
DEP	
Sep police dept	
Tower Generator	
Quality Data	
MTA	
trans out to assessments	
<b>TOTAL</b>	135,235.18

## May-09

<b>Grand Total</b>	<b>\$56,541.55</b>
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