

**AVON WATER POLLUTION CONTROL AUTHORITY**  
**December 13, 2018**  
**Selectmen's Chambers, 5:30 p.m.**  
**Town of Avon**

**I. CALL TO ORDER**

The Avon Water Pollution Control Authority was called to order at 5:30 p.m. by Mr. Armstrong.

**AWPCA**

Present: Tom Armstrong, Vice Chairman  
Chris Roy  
Randall Bowers  
Lawrence Baril, Town Engineer

Absent: Eric Johansen, Keith Jones

**II. MINUTES OF PRECEDING MEETING –**

**MOTION:** Mr. Armstrong requested a motion for approval of the November 8, 2018 minutes; unanimously approved (with minor typographical correction)

**III. COMMUNICATION FROM THE AUDIENCE – None**

**IV. NEW BUSINESS –**

**2018 – 7 147 Simsbury Road Sewer Acceptance**

Mr. Baril explained a request for sewer acceptance/easement by the Town for a property at 147 Simsbury Road. The location currently has two primary properties with an existing sewer. The property which has been split between an existing single-family dwelling and a business is in the process of being recorded by the Town. Mr. Baril informed the Authority that the applicant had performed and passed all required tests required by the Town. Mr. Baril requested approval for an easement at 147 Simsbury Road and for the Town to take ownership of said sewer. Permission was requested for town staff to work with applicant. Mr. Armstrong asked if any Authority members had concerns or comments. Mr. Roy had questions regarding a short section at the end of the easement. Mr. Baril explained there is a lateral already running to the property as well as three manholes at the end of the street. Mr. Armstrong asked if any other members had questions, or concerns. Mr. Bowers stated he had no comments. Mr. Armstrong gave the applicant's engineer David Whitney and applicant's attorney Robert Meyers an opportunity to speak; both declined to speak.

**MOTION:** Mr. Roy requested a motion to approve acceptance of the sewers as outlined subject to final approval and acceptance by a Public Hearing and recommended that staff work to get easement before the Town Council; seconded by Mr. Bowers. Unanimously approved.

## **2018 – 8      Sewer Billing for 2018**

Mr. Baril initiated discussion on a proposed billing process and options to increase public awareness of proposed changes. Mr. Armstrong stated that it would be necessary to ask the assistance of Connecticut Water Company in order to modify the billing process and discussed future billing options, potential hazards, and costs to revise current billing process. Mr. Armstrong suggested that Mr. Baril submit a drafted “Request for Proposal” to Connecticut Water to obtain their feedback. Mr. Baril stated that a consensus was needed to determine whether to approach Connecticut Water. A consensus was met to contact Connecticut Water Company with the goal of discussing draft proposal.

**MOTION:** Mr. Armstrong motioned to approve town staff recommendations; Mr. Bowers seconded; unanimously approved

## **V.      OLD BUSINESS –**

### **2018 – 6      Potential Development – Avon Mills**

Discussion was begun by Mr. Baril who described two questions the Authority faced in regards to the potential development at Avon Mills. Mr. Baril explained the Authority needed to determine if permission is to be given to town staff to work with developer to potentially extend sewers within the Avon Mills complex and to consider if relief is to be given to the developer in terms of sewer connection charges. Mr. Armstrong had no objections to staff recommendations other than to emphasize the use of water-conservation measures. Mr. Armstrong indicated the Authority could not make a decision on sewer connection charges until a Public Hearing was held. Mr. Armstrong resolved to approve staff working with the developer, TML Builders based on “Concept Plans” and “Fuss & O’Neill Study” for building of 270 additional dwelling units totaling no more than 540 bedrooms, pool house facility, and clubhouse.

**MOTION:** Mr. Roy motioned to approve as outlined; Mr. Bowers seconded; unanimously approved.

### **2016 – 6      Sanitary Sewer Project for Winding Lane and Stony Corners**

Mr. Baril summarized the costs associated with the Winding Lane / Stony Corners sewer project and calculations used to determine the benefit assessment. Mr. Baril explained the total cost of the project, including retainage was \$954,214.69 with 54 homes benefitting. Mr. Baril determined the benefit assessment per resident to be \$17,670.64. Mr. Roy asked if there was a cap on costs per resident. Mr. Baril informed the Authority that the assessment was below the cap of \$19,290 and asked for a consensus. A consensus was given per Mr. Armstrong.

**MOTION:** Mr. Armstrong motioned to approve benefit assessment amount and January Public Hearing; Mr. Roy seconded; unanimously approved.

## **VI.      PLANNING AND ZONING MATTERS –**

Mr. Armstrong stated there are no Planning & Zoning matters affecting the AWPCA.

**VII. COMMUNICATIONS FROM STAFF** – None

**VIII. COMMUNICATIONS FROM MEMBERS** – None

**IX. OTHER BUSINESS** – None

**X. ADJOURNMENTS** – Motion to adjourn regular portion of AWPCA meeting made by Mr. Armstrong; Mr. Bowers seconded; received unanimously.

**XI. EXECUTIVE SESSION:** Pending Claims re: Farmington WPCA

On a motion made by Mr. Armstrong, seconded by Mr. Bowers, it was voted: **RESOLVED:** that the Authority go into Executive Session at 6:45 p.m. This motion carried unanimously.

The Town Engineer, Town Manager, and the Town Attorney attended the session.

**XII. ADJOURNMENTS** - On a motion made by Mr. Armstrong, seconded by Mr. Roy, it was voted: **RESOLVED:** That the Authority come out the executive session at 8:04 p.m.; received unanimously.

The meeting was adjourned at 8:05 p.m.