

**Avon Water Pollution Control Authority
January 9, 2020 – 5:30 p.m.
Avon Town Hall / Selectmen's Chamber**

I. CALL TO ORDER

The Avon Water Pollution Control Authority meeting was called to order at 5:30 p.m. in the Selectmen's Chamber by Chairperson Eric Johansen.

AWPCA

Present: Eric Johansen, Chairperson
Tom Armstrong, Vice-Chairperson
Chris Roy
Keith Jones
Lawrence Baril, Town Engineer

Absent: Randall Bowers

II. MINUTES OF PRECEDING MEETING

December 12, 2019

On a motion made by Mr. Armstrong, seconded by Mr. Roy, it was voted:

RESOLVED: That the Authority approves the minutes of the December 12, 2019 Meeting as drafted. Messrs: Roy, Armstrong, Johansen, and Jones voted in favor.

III. COMMUNICATION FROM AUDIENCE – None

IV. NEW BUSINESS – None

V. OLD BUSINESS

2019-12 Sewer Connection Charge Policy Review

Mr. Baril began a discussion regarding the latest draft of the Sewer Connection Charge Policy. He noted two significant changes: to establish new connection charges and change commercial connection charge criteria from acreage to building square footage. He will also ask the Town Attorney to review a final draft of the policy. A public hearing will be held in March or April to set the commercial EDU rate for usage charge so the Authority could hold a public hearing for this policy on the same date.

Mr. Armstrong noted the proposed changes under item G in the policy. Mr. Roy inquired about the necessity to list several examples. Mr. Armstrong suggested keeping them in for the public hearing and thereafter include as a footnote. Mr. Baril noted the proposed reduction to incentivize connections when the Town does a sewer extension program. Mr. Jones emphasized the importance of informing the public that this is for new

connections; we need to articulate the proposed increase to \$4,000 per residential dwelling unit and to \$4,500 per Commercial Equivalent Dwelling Unit (CEDU). Mr. Armstrong noted that regarding connection fees, we paid capacity at Simsbury and Farmington twenty years ago and now we are getting back some of those funds.

The Authority will review the policy and submit comments to Mr. Baril by the end of this month, review and discuss at next meeting, and then set public hearing date thereafter.

VI. PLANNING & ZONING MATTERS

Mr. Armstrong reported that the Avon Mills Apartments should have 250 units and a proposed senior active living facility on Nod Way would have about 130 units.

VII. COMMUNICATION FROM STAFF – No new items were discussed.

VIII. COMMUNICATION FROM MEMBERS

Mr. Johansen inquired about the status with Farmington. Mr. Baril responded that we received a letter within the last month indicating that a bill is coming.

IX. OTHER BUSINESS – No new items were discussed.

X. ADJOURNMENT

On a motion made by Mr. Armstrong, seconded by Mr. Roy, it was voted:

RESOLVED: That the Authority adjourn the meeting at 5:53 p.m.

Messrs: Roy, Armstrong, Jones, and Johansen voted in favor.

Attest: Jennifer Worsman, Acting Clerk