Avon Water Pollution Control Authority Public Hearing May 13, 2021 – 7:00 p.m. VIA GoToMeeting

I. CALL TO ORDER

The Avon Water Pollution Control Authority virtual meeting was called to order at 7:03 p.m. by Chairperson Johansen.

AWPCA - Roll Call:

Present: Eric Johansen, Chairperson

Tom Armstrong, Vice-Chairperson

Chris Roy Keith Jones

Tim Foster, Superintendent of Sewers Lawrence Baril, Town Engineer

Absent: Randall Bowers

II. MINUTES OF PRECEDING MEETING

March 11, 2021

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

<u>RESOLVED:</u> That the Authority approves the minutes of the March 11, 2021 meeting as drafted.

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

III. COMMUNICATION FROM AUDIENCE – No audience in attendance

IV. NEW BUSINESS

2021 - 1 Sewer Billing 2021 – Public Hearing

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

RESOLVED: That the Water Pollution Control Authority open the Public Hearing at 7:47 p.m.

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

Mr. Armstrong noted for the record, there were no comments from the public and no public in attendance.

Mr. Baril began discussion by describing the recent issue of sewer billing for residential property transfers in the year 2020 only. A policy would need to be enacted to adjust water usage for resident's who did not own a property for the entire year of 2020. According to Mr. Baril there were approximately 242 properties connected to public water and sewer that transferred ownership in 2020. Based on the number of properties transferred and revenue needed, Mr. Baril suggested a fixed revenue-neutral charge of \$201.56 be billed to properties that transferred the previous year (2020) regardless of when transfer occurred during the year.

On a motion made by Mr. Armstrong, seconded by Mr. Johansen, it was voted: **RESOLVED:** That the Water Pollution Control Authority close the Public Hearing at 8:08 p.m.

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

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

RESOLVED: That the Water Pollution Control Authority approves revenue-neutral October billing charge of \$201.56 for the 242 residents with properties closing in the year 2020 only.

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

2021 - 2 Residential Sewer Extension and Connection – Nod Way

A request was made by Mr. David Whitney for approximately 20,800 gallon's / day to accommodate 55 new sewer connections for a proposed development. Mr. Johansen noted that the WPCA's review of this request will be limited to determining the impacts of the flow from this proposed development on the town's system and any associated costs. The WPCA does not determine or provide input to Planning and Zoning or other town agencies on the viability of the proposed development. Mr. Whitney stated the requested flow would travel via gravity to a development-owned pump station located in the north-west corner of development and that the pump station would not be the responsibility of the town. Mr. Baril noted the development-owned forced main would be the equivalent of a sewer lateral connection. Mr. Roy suggested approval be granted for concept only and not include mechanical (design) factors. Mr. Armstrong concurred, stating there is no conceptual problem of gallons of flow generated from the site. Mr. Armstrong moved to approve the concept of 20,800 gallons / day of flow via pressure main from the island between Nod Road and Nod Way under the condition all aspects of the design and construction meet town and AWPCA standards. Additionally, the Avon Engineering Department is to review the predicted flow from the site and make recommendations as necessary regarding funding of procurement of additional capacity from the Town of Simsbury.

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

RESOLVED: That the Water Pollution Control Authority conceptually approves the flow of 20,800 gallons / day via forced main from the island between Nod Road and Nod Way.

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

- V. OLD BUSINESS None
- VI. PLANNING & ZONING MATTERS None
- VII. COMMUNICATION FROM STAFF None
- VIII. COMMUNICATION FROM MEMBERS None
- IX. OTHER BUSINESS None
- X. ADJOURNMENT

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

RESOLVED: That the Water Pollution Control Authority adjourn the regularly scheduled meeting at 8:11 p.m.

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

Attest: Victoria DiCenso, Clerk