

**Avon Water Pollution Control Authority
November 18, 2021 – 5:00 p.m.
Via GoToMeeting**

I. CALL TO ORDER

The Avon Water Pollution Control Authority meeting was called to order at 5:18 p.m. via GoToMeeting by Vice-Chairperson Armstrong.

AWPCA – Roll Call:

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

Absent: Eric Johansen, Chairperson
Keith Jones

II. MINUTES OF PRECEDING MEETING

October 14, 2021

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

RESOLVED: That the Authority approves the minutes of the October 14, 2021 Meeting as drafted.

Messrs: Armstrong, Roy, and Bowers voted in favor.

III. COMMUNICATION FROM AUDIENCE – None

IV. NEW BUSINESS

2021-4 Potential Development – 20 Security Drive

Assuming the Planning and Zoning Commission grants approval, a condition that all AWPCA requirements be made should be included within that vote.

2021-7 Benefit Assessments – Sub-dividable lots

Mr. Baril clarified that the Murtha Cullina draft from May 2016 was not approved; the other two were approved respectively: Special Benefit Assessment Rate Schedule dated September 1990 and Special Benefit Assessment Rate Schedule Old Farms Interceptor Extension adopted January 10, 2002. Mr. Baril added that a benefit assessment has nothing to do with a connection charge and State statute gives authority to how the AWPCA can invoke a benefit assessment. He noted that no benefit assessments on those properties had previously been levied; parcels with access to sewer today were never levied a benefit assessment; his interpretation is that these policies levy a generic

benefit assessment, \$6,000, per resident; we should have a policy that identifies the intent of the generic benefit assessment. Mr. Armstrong noted that we can assess a supplemental benefit assessment. Mr. Bowers clarified that the benefit assessment would be applied at the time they connect to sewers.

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

RESOLVED: That the Authority table item 2021-7 Benefit Assessments – Sub-dividable lots to its December 9, 2021 regular meeting.

Messrs.: Armstrong, Roy, and Bowers voted in favor.

2021-8 Timber Lane – Sewers

Mr. Baril noted that preliminary design has been done; no field survey yet. He will need direction from the AWPCA with how to prioritize the sewer extension projects. He noted that Charlie Herbert has put together a petition of residents on Timber Lane. Mr. Armstrong requested budget numbers with recommendations. Mr. Bowers inquired how many residents have an opportunity to connect to sewers on Timber Lane. Mr. Baril responded that there may be up to ten residents connecting with nine of them are preliminarily interested.

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

RESOLVED: That the Water Pollution Control Authority table item 2021-8 Timber Lane – Sewers to its December 9, 2021 regular meeting.

Messrs.: Armstrong, Roy, and Bowers voted in favor.

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

RESOLVED: That the Water Pollution Control Authority add item 2021-9 Upcoming Legislation: Public Act 21-29, Section 6 to the agenda.

Messrs: Armstrong, Roy, and Bowers voted in favor.

2021-9 Memorandum regarding Upcoming Public Act 21-29, Section 6

Mr. Bowers requested that a memo drafted regarding Public Act 21-29, Section 6 be sent to the Planning and Zoning Commission and Town Council related to their potential action to opt out of this Public Act next month; the connection fee system that the AWPCA set-up would otherwise be prohibited effective January 2022. Mr. Armstrong noted this memo is comment from the AWPCA to the Town Council and Planning and Zoning Commission for them to consider how this Public Act affects their current connection fee charges.

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

RESOLVED: That the Water Pollution Control Authority approves the memorandum regarding Public Act 21-29 Section 6 and its distribution to the Town Council and the Planning and Zoning Commission for their review and consideration.

Messrs.: Armstrong, Roy, and Bowers voted in favor.

V. OLD BUSINESS – No items were discussed.

VI. PLANNING & ZONING MATTERS

Mr. Armstrong reported that 20 Security Drive is moving forward for a vote in December.

VII. COMMUNICATION FROM STAFF – None

VIII. COMMUNICATION FROM MEMBERS – None

IX. OTHER BUSINESS – None

X. ADJOURNMENT

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

RESOLVED: That the Authority adjourn the meeting at 5:38 p.m.

Messrs.: Roy, Armstrong, and Bowers voted in favor.

Attest: Jennifer Worsman, Acting Clerk