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WATER POLLUTION CONTROL AUTHORITY
Regular Meeting

Thursday, February 25, 2010 Wastewater Treatment Plant 7:30 PM

Attendees: Gary Leavitt, John Anderson, and Adam Weissberger. Also present David R. Ignatowicz, Director, Water Pollution Control; Arnie Bevins, Assistant Director, Water Pollution Control; George Rostkowski, Business Manager and Peter Williams, Ellington WPCA Administrator

CALL TO ORDER
The meeting was called to order at 7:31p.m. by acting Chairman John Anderson.

PUBLIC COMMMENT
Mr. Williams introduced himself to Mr. Weissberger.

MINUTES OF JANUARY 28, 2010 REGULAR MEETING
Mr. Weissberger, seconded by Mr. Leavitt moved to accept the minutes of the January 28, 2010WPCA regular meeting as presented. The motion carried.

WASTEWATER TREATMENT PLANT REPORT
Mr. Bevins reported that the air diffuser upgrade is moving along and the diffusers will arrive at the treatment plant in April. Regarding ongoing discussions between the EPA and CT DEP for the necessity of low phosphorus limits, Mr. Bevins said that phosphorus limits may be reduced. Mr. Bevins reported on mass metal levels at the treatment plant and said that the ConServ lighting upgrade should be completed within the next two weeks. Mr. Bevins said that bearings need to be redone on a 400 hp motor housed on an aeration blower.

Mr. Ignatowicz reported that for the fourth time in FY 09-10 there has been a broken water line at the treatment plant. Currently, approximately $15,000 has been spent to repair the leaks and sewer user charges will also be incurred. The water pipes are located 6-7 feet below the surface he said and the 15 year old black plastic pipes may have to be replaced by copper piping in the future. Mr. Ignatowicz said that the leaks were realized after invoices were received from the water company; water was not visible at the plant. Mr. Leavitt said that the bedding of the pipes could be the issue.

Regarding a letter dated January 28, 2010 from DEP Supervising Sanitary Engineer Dennis Greci to WPCA Vice-Chairman Melissa Shannon concerning staffing at the Wastewater Treatment Plant, Mr. Ignatowicz said that this issue is being rectified. Mayor McCoy has sent letters to three qualified individuals who are currently employed at the town's Public Works and Parks & Recreation departments. They are scheduled to begin work on March 15th Mr. Ignatowicz said.

Mr. Ignatowicz reported that a leak in the conference room roof was found and has been repaired.

EXECUTIVE SESSION
Mr. Weissberger, seconded by Mr. Leavitt motioned to enter into Executive Session at 7:52 p.m. Mr. Leavitt, seconded by Mr. Weissberger motioned to come out of Executive Session at 8:14 p.m. The motion carried.

ACTION ON EXECUTIVE SESSION, IF NECESSARY
None.

ELECTION OF OFFICERS FOR 2010
Mr. Weissberger, seconded by Mr. Leavitt motioned to table the election of officers. The motion carried.

ANY ADDITIONAL MATTERS
None.

ADJOURN
Mr. Leavitt, seconded by Mr. Weissberger motioned to adjourn the meeting at 8:15 p.m. The motion carried.

Respectfully submitted,

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Secretary, WPC