

Beacon Falls Water Pollution Control Authority
10 Maple Avenue
Beacon Falls, CT 06403



BEACON FALLS
WATER POLLUTION CONTROL AUTHORITY
Monthly Meeting
August 18, 2020
MINUTES
(Subject to Revision)

1. Call to Order /Pledge of Allegiance/Roll Call

Chair Jeff Smith called the meeting to order at 7:35 P.M.

Members Present: Jeff Smith (JS), Robert Pruzinsky (RP), Brian Swan (BS), James Weed (JW), Charlie Edwards (CE)

Members Absent: Richard Komar (RK)

Others Present: None

2. Read and Approve Minutes from Previous Meetings

RP made motion to approve the minutes from the June 16, 2020 meeting. RP/JW, all ayes.

There was no meeting held in July due to lack of quorum.

3. Comments from the Public

None

4. New Applications

JS - United Church is questioning possibly putting in a new sewer line. JW – do they have one now?

JS – they do but say they are having issues.

5. Old Business

a. Mario Trepca, 113-115 South Main Street

JS – keep on the agenda until he is done paying the \$4,000. JW – is there anything going on there? JS – no but the other side was remodeled. He cannot move anyone in until the balance is paid.

b. Nitrogen & Phosphorous Removal

JW – what part of the Town Meeting approval includes this? RP – I am not sure what funds they will put towards this, but they do have money for sewer upgrades. JS – the upgrade was for the power, so when we do new upgrades, the power is there. This would be needed first anyways. JW – are we still paying for nitrogen credits? JS – yes, unsure of the cost. We will have to check the report.

c. Pump Stations

RP – we lost power for a couple of days after the tropical storm. Generators were running and we had the pump on standby just in case. JW – do we have all the fittings? RP – yes and everything was in place.

- d. Sewer User Fee Study

JS – I think the amount was too high to start off. This will remain on the agenda and tabled.

- e. By-Pass Pump

JW – maybe we should not sell this? RP – it was nice to have on hand. JS – it would not be bad to do a mock demonstration.

6. New Business

None

7. Payment of Bills

- a. Invoice from Clerk - None
- b. Other Invoices - None

8. Correspondence

- a. Treatment Plant Monthly Report – none
- b. Budget – JS requested from Finance but has not yet received.

9. Miscellaneous

none

10. Petitions from Commissioners

CE – Point of Order – 1. Has anything been done to move along the motion that I made, and the Board approved to go from 6-inch pipe to 4-inch pipe for lateral pitch? I think it should be at the discretion of the town engineer and the builder. RP – we would have to change the rules and regulations. The Board of Selectmen would have to review it, have it reviewed by the Town Attorney and I believe it must be passed at a town meeting. The Rules & Regulations should be reviewed because they are old. CE – I suggest we all review the Rules & Regulations and discuss our proposed changes next month.

2. CE – inquired about the Rules & Regulations about Board Member attendance. RP – noted that attendance is something that must be reviewed in the same process as noted above. The discussion regarding Board Member attendance began to escalate and JW excused himself from the remainder of the meeting.

11. Adjournment

Motion made to adjourn meeting at 8:11 PM. CE/BS, all ayes

Respectfully submitted,

Kerry McAndrew
Clerk, WPCA