

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



**BEACON FALLS**  
**WATER POLLUTION CONTROL AUTHORITY**  
**Monthly Meeting**  
**January 20, 2021**  
**MINUTES**  
**(Subject to Revision)**

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

Chair Jeff Smith called the meeting to order at 7:34 P.M.

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

**Members Absent:** Charlie Edwards (CE), Richard Komar (RK)

**Others Present:** None

**2. Read and Approve Minutes from Previous Meetings**

Motion made to approve the minutes from the October 20, 2020 meeting. RP/BS, all ayes.

**3. Comments from the Public**

None

**4. New Applications**

JS – lets talk about what happened on Highland Avenue. RP – on December 16<sup>th</sup> we had a call to the Treatment Plant that 63 Highland Avenue, across from Laurel Ledge, had a back up issue. They hired CT Sewer and Drain, and they came out and did a jetting and video of the line. They determined the problem to be in the road. The Sewer Plant went out and inspected and hired Pat Knot to repair the road. JS – my questions is when they notified the Town was the repair already done? Why wasn't the Town notified once it left the curb? I have no issues with Pat doing it. RP – Tom Carey was in charge and he handled it. He went to the call, reviewed the video and he contacted Pat. JS – so the Town took over? RP – Yes, the WWTP. RP – since they found the issue to be on the Town's side the homeowner would like reimbursement in the amount of \$795.00. JS – has anyone been in contact with the homeowner? RP – they called me for the inspection, we took as builds where it was in the road. They replaced 3 ft off a chimney. It is a shame they did not go right to the chimney from the start. There was only 3ft of clay left which is what settled. JS – do you have pictures of everything? RP – Tom has it all and has the invoice. JS – we passed a motion a long time ago that the Town would take responsibility after the curb. JS – does anyone have any objections to reimbursing the homeowner? Motion made to reimburse homeowner for \$795.00 for the camera and jetting in result of our sewer failing. BS/JW, all ayes.

JS – Do we have any other new sewer hook ups? RP – we completed Noe Place before the holidays. Station Glo and Ace Auto were installed, inspected and As Built. Last Thursday, where the put the saddle in between the two manholes on Noe Place there was a backup. There was a call

from a resident who stated the sewage was coming out of the manhole. Tom had it jetted and resolved the issues. He was going to camera to ensure that the saddle did not drop. I do not believe that has been done yet. JS – I will stop by the plant tomorrow and ask him. RP – I had McVac video inspect Burton Road from Maple down to Wolfe and then around the Burton Road wall so that we could locate the sewer. It goes down the hill and runs parallel with the failing sidewalk. It is all marked out on the road. We could also locate the depth. Where the road is crack, and the wall is failing is on the edge of the sewer main. It is a 12-inch main with no manholes. It goes from Wolfe Ave and they bent the pipe around to just below the smaller parking lot in the apartments. It is either clay or RCP. JS – if it is clay and the bank gives away it is going to open that area. RP – you will see how close they come. There are parts of that sewer is under neither the gutter line in the sidewalk. JS – this Board should sit down and plan on what happens if that wall gives away. RP – it is about a 500 ft section of the sanitary sewer which is the main truckline for that side of town. JS – if that fails, we will be in big trouble. RP – I stressed that to the Town Engineer as well. There should be a manhole in the middle of the turning point. JS – is the sewer lower than the wall? RP – it starts off 7ft 10 inches and then it goes down to about 11-12ft in the lower lot. There are some sections that are 4ft and 6ft. JS – I think we should plan a special meeting just to discuss that sewer. JW – they are not going to change the road considerably. Could we move the line closer to the wall side or center of the road and get started on it while there is no traffic and before something happens? Can the Town Engineer draw that up and get it out to bid before we have an issue? RP – I can discuss that with him. JS – while the road is closed, we should look into this.

**5. Old Business**

- a. 14 Lasky Road – I was asked if there was an assessment and I sent it to town hall.  
Clerk confirmed that email was sent to Chair on 12/22 stated that there is no assessment on 14 Lasky per the Town Assessor.
- b. Nitrogen & Phosphorous Removal  
JS – keep this on.
- c. Pump Stations  
JS – no known issues.
- d. Sewer User Fee Study  
JS – nothing to report.

**6. New Business**

Hockanum Glen Manhole Cover – remove but change it to Hockanum Glen Manhole. We have a manhole that needs to be replace in the easement.

**7. Payment of Bills**

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

**8. Correspondence**

- a. Treatment Plant Monthly Report – none
- b. Budget – no information

**9. Miscellaneous**

none

**10. Petitions from Commissioners**

none

**11. Adjournment**

Motion made to adjourn meeting at 8:00 PM. JW/RP, all ayes

Respectfully submitted,

*Kerry McAndrew*  
*Clerk, WPCA*