

**Water Pollution Control Authority
New Fairfield Town Hall
4 Brush Hill Road
New Fairfield, CT. 06812**

Minutes of the Special Meeting October 25, 2022

1. Call to Order:

Chairman Tom Quigley called the meeting to order at Town Hall at 4:30 PM October 25, 2022. Present were Tom Quigley, Peggy Katkocin, Peter Viola, and Jim Mellett, Tim Strid and guest Tim Simpkins.

2. Approval of Minutes:

Jim Mellett made a motion and Peggy Katkocin second...**To approve the minutes of the Regular Meeting of July 11, 2022.** All in Favor.

3. Public Comment: None.

4. General Correspondence:

The Water Test Day results were received and discussed. There were 77 tests with 8 Coliform and zero E-Coli results found.

The Budget Report was given, and \$1528.00 remains in the Budget.

5. Sewer Study Report:

Chairman Tom Quigley gave a brief overview of the Sewer Study. The feasibility Study has been completed and a route up RT37 was chosen. There will be 5 phases of construction and a planned 150,000/gpd max flow. Design and engineering plans are the next step to be paid from ARPA funds already on hand. A Town meeting was held and approved the funds. A Sewer Service Area Limit is proposed and no zoning changes are planned. After the design is approved, Federal funds will be used for construction.

There was discussion about CT General Statute Sec.7-246 Water Pollution Control Authority formation and authority. A round table discussion was held about the upcoming project. Peggy Katkocin was in favor of the project as it would help the empty stores in Town and upgrade the school's septic systems. Peter Viola wondered if there would be competition to existing businesses and if the sewage leaving would be detrimental to existing wells in the area. He also asked if a hard copy of the Sewer Feasibility study was available. Jim Mellett said the EDC report stated that new business will come if sewers are provided, but many are shuttered because of high rents. He agreed that the Shortwoods Aquifer has enough water to support this sewer project Tim Strid reported that the demand for sewers along Federal Road in Brookfield is increasing to the point that Brookfield has reduced its request for additional capacity and placed a hold on hookups. He said his conversation with David Day of Danbury assures that New Fairfield will get its request for 150,000gal/day. Going forward the NF WPCA should be more involved in the process. Tim Simpkins stated that the Stop & Shop septic system was back on the new field as the water levels had dropped. Also the "Walk Over" program was working well and we may be able to ask the State DEEP to drop the consent order.

6 Old Business: None

7 **New Business:** The Fall Water Test Day will be held on November 12, 2022 at the Stop & Shop parking lot from 8 AM until Noon.

8 **Adjourn:**

Peter Viola made a motion and Peggy Katkocin seconded to adjourn. All in favor. The meeting was adjourned at 4:59 PM.

Submitted by Tom Quigley

Received by email on 10/26/2022 @ 1:43 p.m.
by Chrystie M. Bontempo, Asst. Town Clerk, New Fairfield

