

**INLAND WETLANDS COMMISSION
MINUTES**

Special Meeting of October 10, 2018 at 11:00 a.m.
Health Conference Room, Newtown Municipal Center
3 Primrose Street, Newtown, CT

These Minutes are subject to Approval by the Inland Wetlands Commission

Present: Sharon Salling, Mike McCabe, Craig Ferris

Also Present: Fred Hurley, Director of Public Works

Staff Present: Steve Maguire, Senior Land Use Enforcement Officer

Ms. Salling opened the meeting at 11:00 am

Mr. Hurley gave an overview of the objective of the revised Water and Sewer Authority (WSA) Plan. The original WSA Plan focused on a matrix that detailed different categories for the capacity of 332,000 gallons per day. Mr. Hurley stated that every time the matrix was changed the WSA needed to go through the public hearing process and needed to refile with the CT State DEEP.

Mr. Hurley stated it was a cumbersome process for relatively small changes. Establishing a new plan will get away from the rigidity of the process and will enable a more continual flow of information. "Number of gallons" in the matrix will still be generated and applicants will still be required to state "number of gallons" but the matrix will not be adjusted.

Mr. Ferris clarified that there will be no changes in the maximum number of gallons per day and there will be no changes to the boundaries in the districts. Mr. Hurley replied correct and those changes would need the guidance of the WSA.

Mr. McCabe had concerns that the paragraph titled "sewer avoidance policy" was deleted from the original plan. The Commission discussed adding that paragraph back in to the original document. The Commission agreed the sewer avoidance language should be addressed. Mr. Hurley will submit the paragraph on Thursday night for approval by the WSA.

The Commission thanked Mr. Hurley for attending the meeting and appreciated his overview of the WSA Plan.

Respectfully Submitted, Dawn Fried.