



## Council Committee Notes - Water/Sewer

**Date:** January 5, 2011 **Time:** 8:30 AM **Location:** Town Hall **Chair:** Councilmember John Smith

**Attendees:** Council members John Smith and Randy Moubray, Town Manager Tom Saunders, WWTP Chief Operator Pat Chenoweth, Field Utilities Superintendent James Seagle, Bill Rosenbaum – Progress Engineers

**Visitors:** None

### Notes on Discussions:

1. The Committee discussed a bill the Town received from Waste Water Management, Inc. for additional costs it claims it incurred as part of its utilities study conducted from 2007 to 2009 and delivered in 2010. The Committee agreed that without prior or contemporaneous approval the Town is under no obligation to pay the additional fees and instructed TM Saunders to let them know by letter.
2. TM Saunders reported the he and Chris Stamm are still working on a rewrite of the Town's ordinance concerning private wells.
3. The Committee discussed a request by Eddie Dawson that the Town look into the matter of standing water in the alley between his buildings on South Main Street. TM Saunders will look at it with Bill Rosenbaum to see if there is anything that can be done to increase the size of the drain inlet but all agreed that modifications in the alley itself should be the responsibility of the property owner.
4. The Committee was advised of the need to review capital spending needs for the upcoming years in preparation for work on the FY12 budget. Staff will prepare a rough draft before next month's meeting.
5. Advisory Items (FYI):
  - a. Mary Ball Road/Grace Hill sewer pump station update; water and sewer line installation to begin this month
  - b. VPDES permit reissuance process ongoing
  - c. WWTP staff opening update; position filled by the transfer of P.J. Jones from Public Works; now an opening exists in Public Works.
  - d. Repairs pending:
    - i. Pump at Harvey Lane lift station – still under way
    - ii. Walnut Ave. water leak fixed temporarily on Sunday, Jan. 2; permanent service line replacement will be scheduled soon.

### Recommendations to Council:

**Recommended for further study:** Capital spending budget requests to Council for FY2012