

**TOWN OF GRANBY
GRANBY WATER POLLUTION CONTROL AUTHORITY
(BOARD OF SELECTMEN)
PUBLIC HEARING
MINUTES
MAY 4, 2015**

First Selectman Kuhnly called the public hearing conducted by the Granby Water Pollution Control Authority (GWPCA) to order at 7:21 p.m.

First Selectman Kuhnly opened the hearing and read the legal notice as published in the *Hartford Courant*, stating the purpose of the meeting was to receive public comment for the proposed rates for sewer use charges. The Water Pollution Control Authority sets sewer rates annually to cover the cost of sewer use.

No comments or written communications were received in the Town Manager's Office for inclusion at the hearing.

Town Manager Smith explained that there is a change from last year's rates. We have sufficient funds in reserve that need to be maintained to offset any unforeseen expenses as well as the obligations to Simsbury. The new proposed rates for residential are: minimum \$190.58 per year for the cost of the average residential gallons used per year (55,000 gallons) and commercial/industrial: minimum \$266.70 per year for up to 100,000 gallons. All gallon usage for residential and commercial/industrial above the minimum is recommended to be charged \$.0062 per gallon.

It was also reported that our rates continue to be extremely low as compared to surrounding areas.

Selectman Desrosiers inquired about the increase in rates. Town Manager Smith indicated they were close to 10%. The town is totally dependent on the fees to meet our obligations to Simsbury and keep some reserve for maintenance. This year the Wolcott Road pump station had to be redone. Those reserves will help pay for the redo of that pump station.

No other public spoke for or against the proposed sewer use rates.

First Selectman Kuhnly closed the public hearing at 7:27 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

William F. Smith, Jr.
Town Manager