

TOWN OF GRANBY GRANBY WATER POLLUTION CONTROL AUTHORITY

PUBLIC HEARING

MINUTES

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PRESENT: Mark H. Fiorentino, First Selectman; Mark C. Neumann, Vice-Chairman; Margaret Q. Chapple, Frederick A. Moffa, Kelly O. Rome (Remote Via Zoom).

ABSENT:

ALSO PRESENT: Mike Walsh, Town Manager, Jen Espinal, Town Clerk.

At 6:47 p.m. First Selectman Mark Fiorentino called to order the Granby Water Pollution Control Authority Public Hearing for the Town of Granby, in the Town Hall Meeting Room.

PROCEDURE OF PUBLIC HEARING

Pursuant to the Town of Granby Charter Sec. 11-2 and CGS, Town Meetings shall be called by the Board of Selectmen by the terms of this Charter and in the manner provided by the General Statutes.

PURPOSE

The purpose of the Public Hearing is to consider setting the annual rates for sewer charges for members of the community who are served by the sewer system. The meeting requires special notice, which have been reviewed.

1. CALL TO ORDER

First Selectman Mark Fiorentino requested a motion to waive the Legal Call to read the Legal Notice, which was properly noticed in the newspaper on April 25th.

ON A MOTION by F. Moffa, seconded by M. Neumann, the Board voted (5-0-0) to waive the Legal Call to read the full Legal Notice.

2. PUBLIC SESSION

No written comments were received, and no other public comments were given.

Selectman, K. Rome asked how the Granby rates compared to Simsbury rates.

Town Manager, Mike Walsh, answered that Simsbury rates are lower than Granby. All towns are not created equal due to infrastructure, based on population size, the portion of sewage Simsbury treats for Granby, based on how debt is issued, when the debt is issued, and how much debt is issued, and the portions going to Simsbury operations, versus Granby operations, in this case, Simsbury is lower. Granby has a healthy fund balance, and the special fund must go to the expansion of the sewer system. A study was conducted using ARPA funds, to review rules and regulations on how to implement fees. There are two more stations 280, and then Granby is out of capacity. All towns are not created equally, and Simsbury treats Granby sewage, and the rates charge are to support the system in Granby.

Funds can be used for other things like upgrade and maintenance, towards sewer usage.

3. PROPOSED MOTION/RESOLUTION

Selectman, M. Chapple read the Resolution as follows:

Be it resolved, that the Granby Water Pollution Control Authority (GWPCA) approves setting the 2025-2026 sewer rates for residential users at the minimum of \$257 per unit up to 60,000 gallons per year and for the commercial/industrials users at a minimum of \$360 per unit up to 110,000 gallons per year.

For all gallon usage (residential and commercial/industrials) above the minimum, \$.0065 per gallon will be charged. For unmetered residential properties, a 50% surcharge will be applied, which is \$385.50 per unit. All commercial properties must have a water or sewer meter, or a use analysis performed by the Town's engineer.

ON A MOTION by M. Chapple, seconded by M. Neumann, the Board voted (5-0-0) to approve the Resolution to adopt setting the Granby Water Pollution Control Authority (GWPCA) 2025-2026 sewer rates.

4. ADJOURNMENT

ON A MOTION by F. Moffa, seconded by M. Neumann the Board voted (5-0-0) to adjourn the Public Hearing for setting the Granby Water Pollution Control Authority (GWPCA) 2025-2026 sewer rates at 6:56 p.m.

Respectfully submitted & attested,



Jen Espinal
Town Clerk

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