



**CONNECTICUT ASSOCIATION OF  
WATER POLLUTION CONTROL AUTHORITIES**

**Annual Meeting, April 26, 2013  
Crowne Plaza, Cromwell, CT**

**1. Call the Annual Meeting of CAWPCA to Order.**

**President Vincent Susco called the Annual Meeting to order at 8:01 AM.**

**2. Approval of Minutes**

Vincent Susco asked to waive the reading of the minutes and called for a motion to approve the minutes of the last Annual Meeting held on May 11, 2012.

**Members 1<sup>st</sup> and 2<sup>nd</sup> the motion. There was a hand/voice vote for approval. The motion carried unanimously.**

**3. Election of Directors**

President Susco said that the Board consists of 11 Directors that serve staggered 3-year terms. The nominating committee consisted of Brian Armet and Vincent Susco. Who had a relatively easy job this year as there was only one opening to be filled. Mr. Glenn LaBrecque of Waterbury resigned and Mr. Dennis Cuevas replaced him. President Susco said we would like to take this opportunity to thank Glen LaBrecque for his work on the board and said we hope to see him at future meetings.

The Nominating Committee was pleased to present the following slate of Directors:

Brian Armet, The Mattabasset District	Dennis Cuevas, Waterbury WPCA	Michael Criss, Harwinton WPCA
Vernon WPCA	Jack Healy, Litchfield WPCA	David Ignatowicz, Andrew Lord, E Haddam WPCA
Robbie Marshal, Old Saybrook WPCA	Tom Sgroi, GNHWPCA	Marilyn Ozols, Westbrook WPCC
Vincent Susco Colchester/East Hampton Joint Facilities	Sarah Voog, Cromwell WPCA	

President Susco said that the slate constitutes full membership on the Board and per the By-laws, no nominations can be taken from the floor. He then said that he would not want to discourage any member from becoming more involved in the organization and if anyone feels so inclined to let any of the Board members know.

President Susco called for a motion to close the nominations.

**Members 1<sup>st</sup> and 2<sup>nd</sup> the motion. There was a hand/voice vote for approval. The motion carried unanimously.**

President Susco called for a motion to accept the slate of Directors as presented. **Members 1<sup>st</sup> and 2<sup>nd</sup> the motion. There was a hand/voice vote for approval. The motion carried unanimously.**

#### **4. Elect of Officers**

The following slate of Officers has been recommended by the nominating committee:

Andrew Lord, Treasurer

Sarah Voog, Secretary

Marilyn Ozols, Vice President

Vincent Susco President

President Susco called for a motion to accept the slate of Officers as presented.

**There was a hand/voice vote for approval. The motion carried unanimously.**

#### **5. Treasurer's Report**

Andrew Lord briefly commented on the status of the Association.

President Susco called for a motion to accept the Treasurer's Report.

**Members 1<sup>st</sup> and 2<sup>nd</sup> the motion. There was a hand/voice vote for approval. The motion carried unanimously.**

#### **6. Adjournment**

The Annual Meeting was adjourned at 9:05 AM.

President Susco's workshop comments:

He thanked Denise Ruzicka for being available for the meet & great portion of the meeting.

He said that the Association completed a very busy year, setting a goal to get the organizations message out to more people and based upon attendance that has been accomplished. He remarked that he appreciated the numerous member organizations that sent more than one representative.

He welcomed the attendees joining us for the first time and indicated that the cost to join is a bargain at \$50.00/\$100.00 a year. He noted that any Board member can provide more information and that increased membership can only mean our voice will be louder in the future.

He said that has provided testimony on numerous bills raised in Hartford on topics such as; phosphorus, Regulatory Streamlining & WPCA rate increases for WPCA's that receive state grants. He noted that copies of the testimony are available at the registration table regarding HB6653 & SB1111.

He noted that our Association has been invited to be represented on the State's Code Advisory Committee (CAC) and Robbie Marshall is attending their meetings as our representative. He said we also are beginning to establish lines of communication with our sister organizations NEWEA and the CWPAA and welcomed those members present today.

Governor Malloy has declared May 22, 2013 as Wastewater Treatment Appreciation Day.

Fall Workshop Date: November 1, 2013

Presentations of speakers are available at [www.murthalaw.com](http://www.murthalaw.com)

Connecticut Water/Wasterwater Agency Response Agency Network (CTWARN)

Jim Clifton, Simsbury WPCA and Gary Zrelak, Greater New Haven WPCA gave presentations on the effects and responses to the past few year's storm conditions. Both facilities experienced a variety of challenges such as high-water levels, storm surges and power outages. Key points were the necessity of good preparation for any weather event that includes a list of equipment tests and inventory checks for supplies as items like gas filters that are necessary are often overlooked. Also, important is a hard copy of the state and local resources available so if the power goes out it is accessible in printed form. Both recommended that water and wastewater facilities join the CtWARN organization as a valuable resource for integrated contingency planning and is especially helpful in the first five days before a federal response. It was noted that CtWARN is a mutual aid & assistance membership that is voluntary and free.

Website: [www.CtWARN.org](http://www.CtWARN.org)

Mike Bonomo said that NEWEA is cohosting with WEF & AWWA the "WARN" in Marlboro, MA in September 2013 more information is available on the website. He also said that the Ad Council has adopted the "Water's Worth It" campaign and has approved \$30 Million to get the message to the American public on the importance of clean water.

NEWEA & CWPAA AWARDS: Presented by Mike Bonomo & Vincent Susco

The Operator Award was given to Frank Russo, Meriden, CT.

The Alfred E. Peloquin Award was given to Ray Bahr III, Durham, CT.

The Paul Keough Award was given to Jeffrey Cordulack, National Audubon Society, Greenwich, CT.

The Asset Management Excellence Award was given to the Town of Canton Water Pollution Control Authority, Collinsville, CT.

The Utility Award was given to the Town of Glastonbury Water Pollution Control Facility, Glastonbury, CT.

The Laboratory Analyst Excellence Award was given to Dennis Palumbo, Stamford Water Pollution Control Facility, Stamford, CT.

The William D. Hatfield Award was given to James Clifton, Town of Simsbury Water Pollution Control Facility, Simsbury, CT.

Dennis Greci, CT DEEP Update

Dennis Greci introduced the new Director of Planning & Standards, Denise Ruzicka.

He said that DEEP issued a Call for Projects for 2014/2015. He noted that the Clean water funds approved by Governor Malloy for 2014 is \$385,020,000 and for 2015 is \$478,760,000. He said there are new protocols for electronic document submissions. Also, new facility plans will require an environmental impact evaluation. He reminded the assembled to include the term

“or equal” in equipment bid specifications. He said when notifying DEEP when something has gone wrong be sure to report it to a person, do not just leave a message. He commented that the next Operators Certification Test is July 10<sup>th</sup> and applications are due May 24<sup>th</sup>. Cost is still \$240. He said operators can attend the Operator Boot Camp for preparation.

#### Community Sewers 101

Tom Knowlton, Milone & MacBroom Inc referred to Chapter 103 of the CT General Statutes Sections 7-245 & 7-246b that describes a community system as a system serviced by 2 or more separate residence structures. He said that municipalities are required to have a sewer service plan with an approved Sewer Service Area Map.

John A. Wengell, WMC Consulting Engineers Inc gave a presentation on the Salisbury School wastewater reclamation project. See PowerPoint presentation.

Dave Prickett, PE, Woodard & Curran Inc gave a presentation on collection systems for community wastewater systems. See PowerPoint presentation.

Workshop ended at 11:55 AM.

Respectfully Submitted By,

Sarah A. Voog  
CAWPCA Secretary/Director