



**CAWPCA**  
**Board of Directors Meeting**  
**2:00 p.m. – Thursday May 16, 2013**  
**The Mattabassett District – Conference Room**  
**245 Main Street, Cromwell CT 06416**  
**MINUTES**

**1. Call to Order**

President Vincent Susco called the meeting to order at 2:10 PM.

Present: President Vincent Susco, Treasurer Andrew Lord, Secretary Sarah Voog, Robbie Marshall, Brian Armet, David Ignatowicz, Tom Sgroi, Denis Cuevas (arrived at 3:05 PM.)

**2. Approval of Minutes - BOD Meeting, January 22, 2013**

**Brian Armet made a motion to approve the minutes as presented, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Tom Sgroi.**

**Yes: Vote: Vincent Susco, Sarah Voog, Brian Armet, Robbie Marshall, David Ignatowicz, Tom Sgroi**

**Abstain: Andrew Lord**

**3. Treasurer's Report – Andrew Lord**

**a. Dues Membership list vs. Meeting mailing list**

Discussion was held on when the dues are collected. It was determined that the dues period goes from Oct 1<sup>st</sup> to August 31<sup>st</sup> of each year. The Board decided to send a mailer to confirm membership information and invite new member's at the beginning of the new fiscal year, in advance of the fall workshop. An important focus will be to get email addresses of members/potential members and to ask how they prefer to receive future notifications, via email or mail.

Andrew said he would locate a list of WPCA's in the state and the current membership list from Jackie to use for the mailer distribution.

**b. Financial Status**

\$1138.86- Starting Account Balance

\$4840.00- Membership & Workshop Income

\$3282.60- Workshop Expenses

\$2696.60 – Ending Account Balance

It was noted that the funds balance grew with the workshop and membership payments, providing resources for additional membership outreach efforts.

**Davis Ignatowicz made a motion to approve the Treasurer's Report, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Tom Sgroi.**

**All in Favor. Motion Passed.**

**5. Code Advisory Committee (CAC) update - Robbie Marshall**

Robbie Marshall handed out the agenda from the last CAC meeting she attended on March 31, 2013. She said there were testimonies from various groups including an environmental group. She commented that there were an extensive number of topics covered such as membership & legislative updates, geothermal system regulations, nonpoint source pollution, conservation & development and subsurface sewage disposal systems. President Susco asked Robbie Marshall to inquire if they are interested in receiving testimony from the CAWPCA.

Meeting Addendum:

The next meeting of the CAC will be June 26, 2013 from 1-4 at the Portland Public Library.

**6. Fall Work Shop Date: November 1, 2013**

**Location: Crowne Plaza**

The date, time and venue information were verified as finalized.

Discussion was held on various topics for the Fall Workshop. The following was agreed upon; order and time limits to be finalized. It was suggested that the workshop be extended to 12:30 it accommodate the topics.

**Proposed Topics:**

**Old Lyme - a look at what is involved in working with multiple WPCA's**

Morning Session. Andrew Lord said he would contact First Selectman Bonnie Reemsnyder to present at the workshop.

**DEEP Update**

Dennis Greci's State of CT DEEP update Session

**What's happening at the MDC?**

10-15 minute update session on MDC construction and funding

**Renewable Energy**

10-15 minute update session on renewable energy sources

**What to do with RAGS?**

10-15 minute update session on Rags

David Ignatowicz suggested that we push for legislation addressing the problems with fibrous materials such as rags in the sewer system. Tom Sgroi offered to call Mike Bonomo to ask if there has been anything presented on unacceptable items in the sewer system.

**How to effect change - Legislative effort of the CAWPCA**

Denis Cuevas arrived at the meeting and President Susco gave him a quick synopsis of the meetings content to that point. Denis Cuevas brought a copy of the recent status of senate and house bills acted on at the last legislative session.

Closing Session. Discussion was held on legislators and lobbyists to attend to add a component on educating both the legislators on WPCA issues and when it is best timing to bring forward WPCA issues. Two goals were identified; what to do as an association to affect change and how to get legislative alerts on topics related to wastewater.

**7. Any Other Business**

Next meeting in July or by internet.

**8. Adjournment**

The meeting was adjourned at 3:20 PM.

Respectfully Submitted By,

Sarah A. Voog  
CAWPCA Secretary/Director