

Minutes of the March 7, 2023 meeting of the WPCA:

The meeting was called to order by the Chairman at 8:00AM. The following members of the WPCA were present: Don Mayland, Charlie Humes, Robin Leech, John Whalen, David Bayersdorfer, Pat Hackett, Jim Rutledge.

The Chairman reported on the delinquencies that currently exist . The total amount has risen to \$73,976.97

The Chairman reported that we have an opening for one new member to join the committee.

The Chairman spoke of the need to raise rates . He suggested an 8% increase to the rates, effective July 1, 2023. There was a discussion of the need to have a public hearing in April. The committee voted to bring to the public hearing the 8% increase. This will be voted on to become effective as of July 1, 2023 once the public hearing is completed.

The Superintendent Reported on several repairs and replacements of mechanical equipment that are needed. He reported that two generators need to be replaced. One can be handled under our current budget and the other can be handled under the new 2023-2024 budget. The need for repair of the bridge on the lane coming into the plant was discussed. The Chairman will talk to the First Selectman about this. The alarm system needs to be replaced and modernized. The Superintendent will talk to Berkshire Alarms about this. The Superintendent mentioned the eventual need to replace the clarifiers.

The Chairman will work with Emily to set up a date for the public hearing about rate increases.

The meeting was adjourned at 8:50am.

Donald Mayland
Chairman, SWPCA