

Sterling Water Pollution Control Authority
Regular Meeting Minutes
Wednesday, December 17, 2025, 6:30pm
Sterling Municipal Building Room #15

Members Present: First Selectman Jack Joslyn, Link Cooper, Neil Delmonico, and Peter Rabbitt

Also Present: Selectman Patricia Massey, Selectman Ron Whitcomb, Judy Stumpo, Melissa Bradley; recording secretary, and public attendance

- I. **Call to Order:** J. Joslyn called the meeting to order at 6:30pm.
- II. **Pledge of Allegiance:** All stood to honor the pledge of allegiance.
- III. **Audience of Citizens:** None
- IV. **Approval of Minutes:**
MOTION 1 MADE BY L. Cooper to approve the meeting minutes of 11/19/2025 as presented.
SECONDED BY P. Rabbitt VOICE VOTE 4-0 UNANIMOUS **MOTION CARRIES**
- V. **Correspondence**
 - a. **Customer Complaint: Juan Lora of 5 Anne Circle – dirty hot water:**
WhiteWater investigated the complaint and found the water was clear at the time of the inspection in the kitchen and the bathroom. It was determined the hot water was the source of the dirty water. WhiteWater recommended the homeowner call a plumber to check the boiler system. Also, the water temperature is burning hot; it should be lowered.
No further action is necessary.
- VI. **Unfinished Business:**
Discussion regarding an update on the Sterling Water Filtration Plant: J. Stumpo states financial application 1 & 2 will be completed. Discussion with the BOS & BOF will be held regarding how to fund the water system, while exploring USDA and grant options.
Audience member inquires how many homes are affected by the water system? Judy Stumpo replies there are 115-meter connections which include homes, industrial park and the school.
- Discussion regarding a budget for the Sterling Water System:** The board discusses exploring a budget line item for 2026-2027. Currently, water losses come out of the general fund, a line item would be more transparent.

Discussion regarding David DiTusa's request to waive his sewer bill: J. Joslyn reports Kyle verified the water valves have been turned off, not disconnected. There was no water visible in the sink or toilet. A sewer connection is there, but the property owner chooses not to use it.

The board agrees the connection could be used at any time and the Town would have no knowledge.

MOTION 3 MADE BY P. Rabbitt to deny waiving the sewer bill and emphasizing the importance of adhering to ordinances.

SECONDED BY L. Cooper VOICE VOTE 4-0 UNANIMOUS **MOTION CARRIES**

VII. **New Business:** None

VIII. **Any Other Business to come before the WPCA:** None

IX. **Adjournment:**

MOTION 6 made by P. Rabbitt to adjourn the meeting

SECONDED BY N. Delmonico **Meeting adjourned at 6:46pm**

Respectfully Submitted;

Melissa J. Bradley

Recording Secretary