

**WATER POLLUTION & CONTROL COMMISSION  
PUBLIC HEARING MINUTES  
TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 10, 2015 – 6:30 PM  
POMFRET COMMUNITY/SENIOR CENTER**

In Attendance: First Selectman Maureen Nicholson, Selectman Peter Mann, approximately 30 citizens and interested parties.

**I. Open Hearing** – M. Nicholson opened the Hearing at 6:30 PM.

**II. Current Business**

- 1. Discussion and Questions – Proposed Sanitary Sewer District** – M. Nicholson stated there were maps available of the proposed Sewer Service Area. She then introduced Chris Wester with Wesson and Sampson, the engineering firm for the design phase of this project. Mr. Wester stated that he understood many had concerns about the Air Line Trail, drainage issues, and a variety of other things. He stated that the design will take all concerns into account. This hearing is particularly focused on the map of the service area. Some overview was provided of the history of this project. It has been approved by USDA and the design phase is expected to be completed this year and the full construction phase beginning late this year or early next year. The floor was opened for questions. John Folsom asked about the ability of PCS to tie-in. They do not plan to do so at this time, but will be able to when the need arises. A man asked about the number of miles into Putnam and if future development was planned along Route 101. Woody Woodbridge asked about the pumping stations. There will be at least one major one likely to be located at Route 169 and the Air Line. These pumps are below grade and there is no noise associated with them. Debbie Thompson asked about additional tie-ins to the line once installed and if the gas line route has been looked at. A forced main will not accommodate residential tie-ins. The gas line was not feasible and likely, as a utility, would not be allowed. There were some questions about the street location of the pipe, its proximity to the cemetery, impact to the trestle bridge on the Air Line, if Putnam could end the agreement at a later date, and what would happen if there was a break-in the line. The pipe will be along the side of the road with variations due to topography and other considerations – including things like the cemetery and trestle bridge. Putnam will not be able to break the agreement – something the DEEP would not allow. Questions were asked about later business tie-ins. They would have to be located near an access point. There was some discussion about the current systems at Pomfret and Rectory School. There was some additional discussion and Chris Wester stated that he would leave his contact information with anyone who wanted it and he could be contacted if further questions came up.

**III. Adjournment** – B. Williams moved to adjourn. Motion duly seconded and hearing adjourned at 7:15 PM.

Respectfully submitted,  
Bonnie Ryan, clerk