Lawrence Road Sewer Construction Timeline

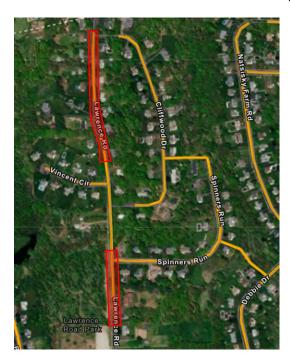
1987 Spinners Run Subdivision



1995 Lawrence Estates (From Spinners Run to Vincent Circle, including 199 Lawrence Rd



2009 Lawrence Road Sewer Extension North & South (Extended sewer from 199 Lawrence Road northly & Extended from 64 Lawrence Road southerly)



Fact & Procedural History

1987	Spinners Run Subdivision sewer was constructed.
1995	Lawrence Estates begins subdivision and constructs sewer from Vincent Circle to Spinners run.
June 18, 1999	139 Lawrence Road is connected to sewer on Lawrence Road per drain layer permit.
December 2009	Town constructs Lawrence Road Sewer Extension North & South.
Sept. 22, 2016	Town gave notice of an intended sewer assessment in the amount to \$8,963, filed the notice of assessment with the town clerk and duly published notice thereafter.
Oct. 13, 2016	The last date with twenty one days of Sept. 22, 2016.
Nov. 11, 2016	J. Sandberg issued an administrative appeal (complaint) dated Oct. 21, 2016 to a marshal.
Nov. 14, 2016	Marshal served the complaint to Town.
Nov. 16, 2016	Complaint was filed with the court.
Nov. 29, 2016	Town appeared at the Tax and Administrative Appeals Session in the Judicial district of New Britain. The Town moved to dismiss the appeal, claiming that J. Sandberg failure to file the appeal within twenty-one days after notice of the assessment was filed, as required by General Statutes 7-250.
April 26, 2017	Superior Court – Judicial District of New Britain issued a Memorandum of Decision
June 6, 2023	June WPCA Meeting 139 Lawrence Road Benefit Assessment (Discussion)
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- Mr. Sandberg stated he had a private agreement with JMJ Construction Company to have his sewer line hooked up by JMJ when they ran pipes to Vincent Circle.
- Mr. Sandberg claimed that JMJ agreed to pay all expenses owed to the town for the connection, but did not follow through
- Mr. Sandberg referenced a user fee bill from 1999 that showed a reimbursement of \$195.00 since Mr. Sandberg already paid this fee at time of the connection.
- Mr. Manfre explained that when the development installs a sewer for a subdivision, the benefit assessment for each of those properties are waived. However, if sewer line is installed in front of an existing building, then that property is subject to being assessed at time of connection.

September 5, 2023 September WPCA Meeting 139 Lawrence Road Benefit Assessment (Discussion)

- Mr. Sandberg stated that Rockville Court, who had dealt with the suit with JMJ, told him the records were wiped out a long time ago and gave him an "Award" to show the case was withdrawn and deleted
- Mr. Sandberg references the bill again from 1999 that showed a reimbursement of \$195.00 since Mr. Sandberg already paid this fee at time of the connection. Mr. Manfre clarified that bill is for the sewer user charge, so when Mr. Sandberg connected, he had already paid the prorated sewer user fee which is why he was reimbursed that.

October 2, 2023

An email was sent to Mr. Sandberg by Ms. Megan Siegel, reminding him that the WPCA was going to continue the discussion regard the 139 Lawrence Road Sewer Assessment at the October 3, 2023 Regular Meeting

October 3, 2023

October WPCA Meeting 139 Lawrence Road Benefit Assessment (Discussion)

- Mr. Manfre presented information regarding the 139 Lawrence vs JMJ case from Rockville Court. Rockville Court confirmed there was no paper record of it as there was a withdrawn of action through management program.
- "Motion to abate the interest on Mr. Sandberg's bill to have the initial principal, \$8,963, paid by May 31, 2024."
 - The motion was in favor of Ms. Vicki Palilus, Mr. James Murray, Mr. David Basile, and Mr. Joseph Botti
 - The motion was opposed by Mr. Bala Ramasamy, Mr.
 Toby Lewis, and Chairman Stephen Wagner
 - o The motion passes 4 to 3.

November 8, 2023 November WPCA Meeting – Public Participation

- It was explained to Mr. Sandberg that there is no town record of the contract with JMJ and the town.
- It was also explained that at the October 3, 2023 WPCA meeting, the WPCA made a motion to abate the interest and pay the original principle of \$8,963. However, after communication with the Collector of Revenue, the Connecticut General Assembly (CGS) does not allow waiver of interest and the only exception is a court judgement. She stated what they can do is Mr. Sandberg

can pay the \$8,963 by May 31, 2024, and per the CGS to apply to interest first, then the assessment fee, and with further approval from the WPCA, the Collector of Revenue can adjust the balance of the fee to \$0.

 Chairman Wagner explained that the developer who installs sewer does not get assessed as they are the ones building the sewer line. The purpose of the assessment fee is to account for the cost of building a new sewer line. Chairman Wagner stated there is no payment to the town from JMJ as there was no assessment owed since they built the sewer.

November 16, 2023

A letter was sent out to Mr. Sandberg discussing the motion the WPCA made and what his total bill is. This notice was also emailed to him.