

MINUTES OF MEETING OF BOARD OF SEWER COMMISSIONERS

Date of Meeting: June 21, 2018
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1. MEETING TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order by Chairman Giberti at 6:30 pm

2. ROLL CALL

Sewer Commissioners Present: James R. Giberti
Donna M. Bronk
Sandra L. Slavin

Sewer Commissioner Absent: Peter G. Dunlop
Malcolm R. White

Also Present: Guy Campinha, Sewer Superintendent

3. APPROVAL OF MEETING MINUTES

1. May 17, 2018

MOTION: Commissioner Bronk moved to accept the minutes of the May 17, 2018 meeting as written. Commissioner Slavin seconded.

VOTE: 3-0-0 (Unanimous)

4. CITIZENS PARTICIPATION

(none)

5. SEWER BUSINESS

1. Agreements for Approval

a) SYNAGRO Northeast, LLC – Long Term Disposal of Liquid Sludge

Commissioner Bronk questioned how many bids were received. Mr. Campinha responded only one bid was received. Bids required bidders be owners/operators of disposal facilities and were sent out to the owners. Only one bidder responded. Discussion ensued as to the cost increase and the monthly cost for the disposal.

MOTION: Commissioner Bronk moved to approve the Agreement with SYNAGRO Northeast, LLC for the Long Term Disposal of Liquid Sludge as written. Commissioner Slavin seconded.

VOTE: 3-0-0 (Unanimous)

b) GHD – Sewer Capacity Analysis – Woodland Cove (40B) project

Mr. Campinha advised the Board that a check for \$9,000 is in the possession of the Town from Dakota Partners and the contract will be paid from those funds.

MOTION: Commissioner Bronk moved to approve the Agreement with GHD for the Sewer Capacity Analysis of the Woodland Cove (40B) project as written. Commissioner Slavin seconded.

VOTE: 3-0-0 (Unanimous)

c) CHEMICALS

1. Univar USA, Inc. – Methanol

MOTION: Commissioner Slavin moved to approve the Agreement with Univar USA, Inc. for Methanol as submitted. Commissioner Bronk seconded.

VOTE: 3-0-0 (Unanimous)

2. Harcros Chemicals, Inc – Potassium permanganate, Hydrated Lime and Liquid sodium hypochlorite

MOTION: Commissioner Bronk moved to approve the Agreement with Harcros Chemicals, Inc. for Potassium permanganate, Hydrated Lime and Liquid sodium hypochlorite as submitted. Commissioner Slavin seconded.

VOTE: 3-0-0 (Unanimous)

3. Holland Company, Inc. – Poly Aluminum Chloride

MOTION: Commissioner Bronk moved to approve the Agreement with Holland Company, Inc. for Poly Aluminum Chloride as submitted. Commissioner Slavin seconded.

VOTE: 3-0-0 (Unanimous)

4. Monson Company, LLC – Soda Ash

MOTION: Commissioner Bronk moved to approve the Agreement with Monson Companies, LLC. for Soda Ash as submitted. Commissioner Slavin seconded.

VOTE: 3-0-0 (Unanimous)

6. SEWER SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT

1. Past payment for sewer usage

Mr. Campinha reported that the owner of property came to the office and to pay the sewer usage bills for the past 6 years even though he never received a bill. He brought the property in 2012 and had not received a bill. It was discovered at the time when that area was being sewerred in 1995, the lot was vacant land and the house was built in 1997 and tied into the sewer manhole without a permit. The present owner felt obliged to pay. Brief discussion ensued including lack of a betterment and the possibility of recourse against the builder.

2. Comprehensive Wastewater Management Plan

Mr. Campinha reported that we have an Agreement with BETA Group approved by the Board last year and it is approximately 50% completed.

3. Engineering Services Quotes –Swifts Beach project

Mr. Campinha informed the Board that the quotes from the engineering firms have been received: BETA Group - \$165,000; Wright-Pierce - \$166,000 and Weston-Sampson - \$193,000.

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Recommends that BETA Group be awarded a contract for the \$10,000,000 Swifts Beach project and the Board concurs.

4. Outfall Relocation

Mr. Campinha stated that the sampling of the water in the Cape Cod Canal, at Mass Maritime, open water and Onset began of June 28, 2018. As to the railway, the State would require a wall be built along the railway to protect the integrity of the track before a pipe can be placed along the tracks. Mr. Campinha stated that he is looking at other alternative costs, e.g. going along Routes 6 & 28; directional drilling underground from the plant directly to Mass Maritime; alternative affluent discharge into ground rather than ocean discharge or a combination of both discharges. Brief discussion ensued.

7. UNFINISHED BUSINESS AND GENERAL ORDERS (Unanticipated Items)

a) EDU Schedule update

Mr. Campinha reported that he met with Tighe & Bond and a model is completed with categories listed as Residential #1, Residential #2, Residential #3, Commercial #1, Commercial #2 and Commercial #3. The issue that is problematic are the numbers for capital improvement. The CIP calls for an annual expenditure of \$5,000,000 in addition to the operating budget. Mr. Campinha will request that Tighe & Bond prepare variable proposals with various amounts

b) Sump pumps

Further discussion of method to address the problems with sump pumps to be discussed when all members are present. Mr. Campinha reported that he was waiting for information from a company that deals with sump pump issues and he would schedule them to come before the Board with a presentation. They may use a French drain around the sump pump or a line of stone. The company has a method of moving the sump pump away from the sewer. Mr. Campinha advised that he would also be meeting with residents in Hamilton Beach and area beach communities to speak to them about the issue of sump pumps, grease and rags entering the sewer lines. Brief discussion ensued.

c) I&I Status update

Mr. Campinha advised that the I&I report has been finalized and sent to the State. The areas with high I&I have been identified which includes Smith's Pump Station (Hamilton Beach area) and North Blvd as having the highest amount of I&I in addition to Onset Pier and South Water St pump stations. A great deal of relining of the sewer lines needs to be done.

d) Sewer abatement

Commissioner Slavin questioned the status of the abatement application by Meinke. Mr. Campinha stated that the abatement was placed on hold pending alternative billing information regarding water usage.

8. NEW BUSINESS

1. High Street Sewer Rehabilitation

Commissioner Slavin stated that she was not aware of the road closing during the project. Mr. Campinha responded that the police, fire and ambulance had been notified, although the project

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did not begin on the original scheduled date. Commissioner Slavin suggest in the future of any projects with road closings that it be published in the local newspapers and utilizing reverse 911.

2. Swifts Beach project

Mr. Campinha edified the Board of the easement issue. No recorded easements can be found over the property with a swimming pool (end of Longmeadow Dr.) and the Bronk property (end of Glenda Ave.). Until the issue of the easements has been resolved, part of the project will need to be placed on hold. Town Counsel and the surveyors will need to attempt a resolution. The engineering part of the project will proceed. Discussion continued.

3. Budget

Brief discussion regarding budget expenditures.

9. NEXT MEETING DATE AND TIME

The next scheduled meeting will be July 19, 2018 at 6:30 p.m.

10. ADJOURNMENT

MOTION: Commissioner Bronk moved to adjourn. Commissioner Slavin seconded.

VOTE: 3-0-0 (Unanimous)

Meeting adjourned at 7:35 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Rebecca Benitez-Figueroa

Department Assistant

Attest: _____

Sandra L. Slavin, Clerk

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Date Signed: _____

Date sent to the Town Clerk _____