

MINUTES OF MEETING OF BOARD OF SEWER COMMISSIONERS

Date of Meeting: April 7, 2016
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1. MEETING TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order by Chairman, pro temp Susan J. Sweeney

MOTION: Commissioner Dunlop moved to nominate Commissioner Giberti as clerk pro temp. Commissioner White seconded.

VOTE: 4-0-0 (Unanimous)

2. ROLL CALL

Sewer Commissioners Present: Susan J. Sweeney
James R. Giberti
Malcolm R. White
Peter G. Dunlop

Commissioner Sweeney offered a welcome to Commissioner Peter G. Dunlop, newly elected Sewer Commissioner.

Sewer Commissioners Absent: Donna M. Bronk

Others Present: Guy Campinha, Sewer Superintendent

Commissioner Sweeney requested that reorganization of Board be postponed until all members are present. Brief discussion ensued. Commissioner Giberti recognized Selectmen Alan Slavin who stated that the Sewer Commissioners are under the same rules as the Board of Selectmen in that reorganization of the Board takes place at the first meeting after an election; however the Sewer Commissioners can do what they want.

MOTION: Commissioner Dunlop moved that reorganization of the Board of Sewer Commissioners be done at the April 21, 2016 meeting of the Sewer Commissioners. Commissioner White seconded.

VOTE: 4-0-0 (Unanimous)

3. APPROVAL OF MEETING MINUTES

a) March 31, 2016

MOTION: Commissioner Giberti moved to accept the March 31, 2016 meeting minutes as written. Commissioner White seconded.

VOTE: 3-0-1 (Commissioner Dunlop abstained)

4. SEWER BUSINESS

(none)

5. SEWER SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT

1. Root problem

Mr. Campinha reported on the problem with tree roots in the sewer system. After a meeting with a company who uses a product approved by the EPA to eradicate the problem and not be hazardous to the sewer system, Mr. Campinha recommended the use of the product as a cost of \$3,000 for 1,800 ft. application. Several locations in Town have major problems with roots and Mr. Campinha will compile a list of those areas and other areas in order to reach a total of 1,800 ft. This method will be the safest way and not cause damage to the sewer pipes.

Additionally, the company also has a grease emulsifier product which does not allow the grease to reconstitute. The cost of a drum is approximately \$1300. Mr. Campinha stated that he would look further into this product.

Discussion ensued as to providing the property owner with the product to destroy the roots in their lateral lines.

2. Bid for lining of pipe.

Mr. Campinha advised that the bid document is being reviewed by Town Counsel and once approved, the Bid will be posted. He suggested that a public meeting be held to inform the property owners in the area that the work will be done.

6. UNFINISHED BUSINESSS AND GENERAL ORDERS (Unanticipated items)

(none)

7. NEW BUSINESS

a) Discussion re: acceptance of septage from other communities

Mr. Campinha explained that a request from BETA Engineering regarding accepting septage from the Sheraton Ocean Park Inn in Eastham while Eastham builds a new treatment plant. They are looking to bring in approximately 20,000 gal. per day. Discussion ensued as to what amount to charge.

MOTION: Commissioner Giberti moved that BETA Engineering be allowed with the construction project in Eastham to bring in septage for April, May and June at 12¢ per gallon. Commissioner White seconded.

VOTE: 4-0-0 (Unanimous)

b) Review of Sewer System Development Charge Policy.

Mr. Campinha informed the Board that a property owner will be requesting permission to tie into sewer on a lot that had previously been an unbuildable lot has now become buildable. The issue is to determine who will pay for the cost of installing the lateral from the sewer main line to the property line. Discussion ensued and the Board decided to bring the matter up for further action at a future meeting.

8. NEXT MEETING DATE AND TIME

The next meeting scheduled for April 21, 2016 at 6:30 p.m.

9. ADJOURNMENT

MOTION: Commissioner Giberti moved to adjourn. Commissioner White seconded.

VOTE: 4-0-0 (Unanimous)

Respectfully submitted

Rebecca Benitez-Figueroa

Department Assistant

Attest: 

James R. Giberti, Clerk Pro Temp

BOARD OF SEWER COMMISSIONERS

Date Signed: 4/21/2016

Date sent to the Town Clerk: 4/25/2016