

MINUTES OF MEETING OF BOARD OF SEWER COMMISSIONERS

Date of Meeting: April 18, 2019
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1. MEETING TO ORDER

Chairman Giberti called the meeting to order at 6:30pm

2. ROLL CALL

Sewer Commissioners Present: James R. Giberti
Sandra L. Slavin
Malcom R. White
Peter G. Dunlap - Dunlop correct

Sewer Commissioners Absent: Donna M. Bronk

Also Present: Guy Campinha, Sewer Superintendent
Ellis Bailey, Procurement/WPCF Business Mgr.
Danny Warren, President of Warren Environmental INC.

3. APPROVAL OF MEETING MINUTES

April 4, 2019

MOTION: Commissioner Slavin motion to accept April 4, 2019 Board of Sewer Commissioners Meeting Minutes as provided. Chairman Giberti second.

VOTE: 2-0-2

4. SEWER BUSINESS

1) Abatement

a) 12B West Central Ave-Account No. 735484-MAP I Lot 50B

MOTION: Commissioner White motion to approve abatement for 1 year total \$611.00, motion seconded by Commissioner Slavin

VOTE: 4-0-0

2) \$3M SRF Funding Program – Table

Mr. Bailey advised he is still working on it and will discuss more at next meeting. Mr. Campinha stated that there is an option to extend it but still need an answer by 10/15/19. Chairman Giberti put this on hold until next meeting.

3) Re-organization of Board of Sewer Commissioners

MOTION: Commissioner Slavin motioned that James R. Giberti remain Chairman. Commissioner ~~Dunlap~~ seconded.
Dunlap

VOTE: 4-0-0

MOTION: Commissioner ~~Dunlap~~ motioned for Sandra L. Slavin to be Clerk. Commissioner Giberti seconded.
Dunlap

VOTE 4-0-0

5. SEWER SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT

1) Sea St. Manhole

Mr. Campinha explained had a surveyor out that did the rim elevations for the Sea St, Pinehursts and Warr Ave manholes. Sea St. manhole has sunk 1.6 feet. The joint for the pipe that goes from Sea to Pinehurst, the rubber pulled out. Mr. Campinha states that their opinion, Mr. Campinha and Surveyor, feel it is mechanical joint not a slip on joint. This is only opinion do not have specifications. Mr. Campinha explained how the camera was not able to see anything between Warr Ave and Ross and cannot see anything because something in the middle needs to be cleaned. Problem causing this is because the manhole sunk, there is stagnation. Had an engineer look at it and replace the line and will run into the same problem, need to fix it and move on to the next. There are seven manholes in total at this location, this one is what they think will be the worst. Pictures shown to the commissioners. Mr. Campinha feels that raising the manhole is best way to go. Ross is the next manhole. The DEP (Department of Environmental Protection) was notified WPCF is doing this around the entire beach. WPCF being proactive in viewing all manholes in this area.

Mr. Warren, President of Warren Environmental advised the Board of Commissions that his company has seen this before in other areas nationwide, and they have been able to fix the problem with lining the pipes with a material that will in fact make them five times more stronger and will alleviate this problem down the line. Mr. Warren has seen this same problem with the sinking manholes and stagnation in pipes and has been able to rectify it and save Towns/Municipalities money.

Commissioner Slavin wants the residents of Pinehurst notified of this work. Also wants to know what steps WPCF is taking for safety of the residents while the manholes are being worked on. Mr. Campinha advised the residents of areas being worked on will be notified, also there will be plywood placed on beach along with signs.

Commissioner White asked about any emergency permits, Mr. Campinha advised no permits needed. The DEP however is saying get it done and excited about WPCF being proactive.

Video that showed the manhole corrosion. Both Mr. Warren and Mr. Campinha explained how lining the pipes works and by lining, it makes the pipe structurally sound.

2) Lopes Field

Mr. Campinha advised done with Lopes Field for the bypass now just have to clean it. Has the coupon, it is concrete lined and we are having it analyzed to tell us how much of that pipe is left.

3) Cohasset Narrows

Coupon is similar to Lopes Field; however, the exterior is corroding. Not sure if it is the salt water in that area or the acid in the soils, but large chunks missing in the pipe and the concern is the force main all the way up Route 6 and 28. Outside corrosion caused by acidic soils, inside hydrogen sulfide causes the corrosion.

4) Letters for Non Connect

Mr. Campinha advised 77 letters sent out. Of those 13 undeliverable, 7 vacant lots, 24 received, 35 awaiting for a response. 5 Mark's Cove already connected and 7 Mark's Cove in process of being connected. Mr. Campinha advised the Commissioners that he would get a copy of letters sent and the results if they need or want them.

Commissioner Slavin wanted to know if any responses received from the letters. Mr. Campinha advised only one response from 5 Mark's Cove has been tied in.

Commissioner ^{Dunlap} questioning if the Town and WPCF under any obligation to force people to tie in. Mr. Campinha advised it is in the bylaws. There are no mandates by the EPA or DPA however, it is in the Town of Wareham ByLaws.

Discussion took place on enforcement of Bylaw.

6. UNFINISHED BUSINESS AND GENERAL ORDERS (Unanticipated Items)

- 1) Commissioner Slavin brought up a project. This project is at Point Independence Yacht club for storm water mitigation. Wants to let WPCF be aware there are two manholes in that area.

- 2) **Sump pumps.** These can only be disconnected if found. One option that Mr. Campinha put out there during the discussion is to add a policy that if resident is selling the home; WPCF inspects and signs off if there is a sump pump. If there is then it gets disconnected. Commissioner Slavin pointed out that Chairman Giberti is speaking with Town Counsel, Mr. Bowen; about the Bylaws for both sump pump and tie in to see if there are any flaws.
- 3) **Stone Path.** Mr. Campinha advised about a month away of getting results of the analysis.
- 4) **EDU Rates** Tabled until next meeting

7. NEW BUSINESS

Mr. Bailey handed out a Q3 budget to the Commissioners: Highlighted that we have gone through 75% of the year and only spent 69% of the budget. Mr. Bailey feels we may come in above budget this year. Have not gone through much capital. Asked for 2 motions to allow Mr. Bailey to go to Town Meeting on a special for approval of -

- 1) Sea St renovation in the amount of \$600,000.00.
- 2) Thatcher Pump Station in the amount of \$150,000.00—Currently falling apart and unsafe.

Both of these would be on Special because there is a placeholder for Capital. The money will also come out of the Capital FY19 budget.

MOTION: Commissioner Slavin motioned for \$600,000.00 of WPCF FY19 Budget money to be used for Sea St renovations. Commissioner Dunlap seconded.

VOTE: 4-0-0

MOTION: Commissioner Slavin motioned for \$150,000.00 of WPCF FY19 Budget money to be used for Thatcher Pump Station repairs. Commissioner Dunlap seconded.

Dunlap

VOTE: 4-0-0

Mr. Bailey also put a new electric bill contract for WPCF in place. Previous one expired in October.

The bids for the 6 inch Trash Pump came in and final bid awarded. Mr. Bailey is currently putting it through legal.

8. NEXT MEETING DATE AND TIME

May 16, 2019 6:30pm - Rm 320

9. ADJOURNMENT

MOTION: Commissioner Slavin motion to adjourn. Commissioner Dunlap seconded.

VOTE: 4-0-0

Dunlap

Meeting adjourned at 7:40pm

Respectfully submitted,

Colleen M. Malone

Department Assistant

Attest: *SS Slavin* *as attested*

Sandra L. Slavin, Clerk

BOARD OF SEWER COMMISSIONERS

Date Signed 5/16/19

Date sent to the Town Clerk 5/21/19