

MINUTES OF MEETING OF BOARD OF SEWER COMMISSIONERS

Date of Meeting: July 19, 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
Peter G. Dunlop
Sandra L. Slavin

Sewer Commissioner Absent: Donna M. Bronk
Malcolm R. White

Also Present: Guy Campinha, Sewer Superintendent

3. APPROVAL OF MEETING MINUTES

1. June 7, 2018

MOTION: Commissioner Dunlop moved that the meeting minutes of June 7, 2018 be approved as written. Commissioner Giberti seconded.

VOTE: 2-0-1 (Commissioner Slavin abstained)

2. June 21, 2018

MOTION: Commissioner Slavin moved that the meeting minutes of June 21, 2018 be approved as written. Commissioner Giberti seconded.

VOTE: 2-0-1 (Commissioner Dunlop abstained)

4. SEWER BUSINESS

a) Discussion re: EI Grinder Pumps

Present: Henry Albro and Darrell Coppola of F.R. Mahoney & Associates

Mr. Albro gave a brief history of the Environment One (E1) grinder pumps and further explained the features of pumps. Discussion continued with concerns expressed by the Sewer Commissioners regarding impact of grease, power outages and warranties. Mr. Albro stated during power outages homeowners with E1 grinder pumps usually limit usage of water. A battery pack built in alarm warns the homeowner of the high level of water in the holding tank. The E1 pump can be plugged into a portable generator if necessary.

5. SEWER SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT

a) Sampling locations

Mr. Campinha reported that sampling of seven (7) locations (including below the railroad bridge, present actual discharge from Mass Maritime, a point by Mass Maritime entering Buttermilk Bay, in front of Mashnee Island, in front of Onset Bay) was done in connection with the Outfall

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project to move the discharge pipe to the Cape Cod Canal to establish a baseline of what is currently there regarding the nitrogen parameters in our permit the sampling will continue for the next 9 months. Further quarterly monitoring will continue once the outfall pipe is move to the Cape Cod Canal. The sampling is required by the Ocean Sanctuary Act.

b) Pretreatment Coordinator

Mr. Campinha stated that Alanna Sparagna is no longer with WPCF. She will be attending a graduate doctorate program at Northeastern University. The Fellowship program will provide her a stipend along with housing, insurance and payment of studies.

c) Permits

Mr. Campinha reported that the plant was able to make permit with the State. During the months of July and August, the issue of phosphorus may be problematic in determining the locations where the phosphorus is originating from. Nitrogen number is around 2 which is great.

d) Maintenance

The maintenance program is working well in addressing the pump stations rehabilitation and cleaning of pipes.

e) Vactor truck

Mr. Campinha informed the Board that a vactor truck is being rented to clean out the sewer line from Wankinco Street to the Ruggles Street pump station which has about 4 inches of sand and 2 inches of crud. This reduces the diameter of the line from 8 inches to 3 – 4 inches. The cost for truck and driver is approximately \$1,800/day. Once this area is completed, the vactor truck will then be sent to 12th Street in Onset for tree root removal which is causing backups. The roots will be grinded and vacuumed into truck. Discussion ensued regarding cost of rental, repair or purchase of vactor truck.

6. UNFINISHED BUSINESS AND GENERAL ORDERS (Unanticipated Items)

a) Water Warriors – grant

Mr. Campinha edified the Board of the cut in the grant amount. Originally the grant was for the equalizing and aeration basins. Since the equalizing basin was removed, the grant amount was reduced from \$150,000 to \$83,000. The cost to WPCF would be an additional \$28,000 in cash and the balance in In-Kind services. The total cost to WPCF would be \$194,000. Chairman Giberti asked if the additional cash amount can be split with Water Warriors. Discussion ensued.

b) EDU Schedule update

Chairman Giberti asked is EDU schedule update has been received. Mr. Campinha responded an update is scheduled to be received tomorrow and will present to the Board what is received at the next scheduled Board meeting.

c) Sump pumps

Mr. Campinha suggested a possible workshop meeting dedicated solely to sump pumps and policy or have a public hearing. Commissioner Dunlop suggested that a \$100.00 surcharge be assessed to property owners provided that the homeowner can prove that they do not have a sump pump. Discussion continued including assessment of fines, possible alternatives to property owners with sump pumps. Also briefly discussed is enforcement for violations.

d) I&I Status update

Summary report provided to Sewer Commissioners.

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7. NEW BUSINESS

(none)

8. NEXT MEETING DATE AND TIME

The next scheduled meeting will be August 2, 2018 at 6:30 p.m.

9. ADJOURNMENT

MOTION: Commissioner ^{SLAVIN} White moved to adjourn. Commissioner Dunlop seconded.

VOTE: 3-0-0 (Unanimous)

Meeting adjourned.

Respectfully submitted,

Rebecca Benitez-Figueroa

Department Assistant

Attest: SS Slavin

Sandra L. Slavin, Clerk

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Date Signed: 8/21/18

Date sent to the Town Clerk 8/6/2018