

MINUTES OF MEETING OF BOARD OF SEWER COMMISSIONERS

Date of Meeting: February 4, 2016
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1. MEETING TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order by Acting Chairman Sweeney at 6:30 pm.

Acting Chairman nominated Commissioner Giberti as Clerk, pro temp. Commissioner White seconded the nomination. Acting Chairman announced that Commissioner Jordan will be participating at the meeting through remote access.

VOTE: 4-0-0 (Unanimous)

2. ROLL CALL

Sewer Commissioners Present: Susan J. Sweeney
James R. Giberti
Malcolm R. White
Marilyn J. Jordan

Sewer Commissioners Absent: Donna M. Bronk

Others Present: Guy Campinha, Sewer Superintendent

3. APPROVAL OF MEETING MINUTES

(none)

4. SEWER BUSINESS

a) 12 Longmeadow Road – sewer connection

Mr. Campinha informed the Board that the location for the request for sewer connection is 12 Long Neck Rd, Assessors Map 10, Lot 1006B (not 12 Longmeadow Rd) and that the nearest sewer manhole is about 180 feet from the property. As the property is located in a Wellhead Protection Zone, connection to Town sewer rather than a septic system would be vital. The installation of the E1 pump system will be for connection to the manhole. Mr. Campinha recommended that the Board authorize the sewer connection and a sewer development fee equal to the latest betterment fee of \$18,000 be assessed. The total cost of the connection and E1 pump system to be deducted from the \$18,000. After deducting the connection fees, any remaining balance will be paid to the WPCF Enterprise Fund.

MOTION: Commissioner Giberti moved that the Board grant permission for the property at 12 Long Neck Road be allowed to tie into the Town's sewer system.
Commissioner White seconded.

POLLED VOTE: Commissioner Giberti – yes
Commissioner White – yes
Commissioner Sweeney – yes

Commissioner Jordan – yes
4-0-0 (Unanimous)

5. SEWER SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT

1. Mr. Campinha reported on the training session with the Town Administrator, Financial Director and Town Accountant along with WPCF staff and Mark Abrahams of Abrahams Group regarding the use of the Vadar system and obtaining reports. The meeting was informative and productive. Reports not being accessed by WPCF will be generated and sent to WPCF by the Town Accountant. The Town Administrator and Financial Director will work with Abrahams Group to make all financial matters of the Enterprise Fund available to the Sewer Commissioners. Mr. Abrahams will make a presentation to the Board at a future date.

2. Mr. Campinha reported on a meeting held today with the grant providers for the BBNEP (Buzzards Bay National Estuary Program) regarding the nitrogen probes. Representatives from BBNEP, Congressman Keating's office, CZM and GHD were present and toured the plant. BBNEP and CZM were pleased and will forward a report to EPA the completion and successful of the project. Dr. Joseph Costa of BBNEP suggested that Wareham meets with other treatments plants in the area to demonstrate the probe process and how nitrates are monitor. Mr. Campinha will schedule and hosts such meetings. Beginning next week, a yearlong training and calibration monitoring of the equipment with the WPCF staff will begin with the local representative of the probes' manufacturer (YSI). The trainings will be monthly. Brief discussion ensued.

3. Mr. Campinha informed the Board of upcoming meetings with DEP, Corp of Engineers, and will announce the kick off meeting with all Federal, State and local officials regarding the outfall.

4. Brief discussion ensued regarding the proposed interconnection between the Wareham and Onset Water Districts at the site of the Dick's Pond Pump Station. Awaiting information from the State regarding the widening of Route 28 in the area and if there will be any land taking before moving forward with the proposed water districts' interconnection

6. UNFINISHED BUSINESS AND GENERAL ORDERS (Unanticipated items)

a) SMART Goals – discussion

Lengthy discussion regarding the SMART goal for the F.O.G. (Fats, Oils & Grease) program and establishment of target dates for implementation of policy for April 1, 2016.

7. NEW BUSINESS

a) Commitment on FY16 2nd half of Sewer Usage Billing

MOTION: Commissioner Giberti moved that the commitment for FY2016 – 2nd Half Sewer Users Fee billing in the amount of \$2,740,127.16 be sent to the Town Treasurer-Collector. Commissioner White seconded.

POLLED VOTE: Commissioner Giberti – yes
Commissioner White – yes

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Commissioner Sweeney – yes
Commissioner Jordan – yes
4-0-0 (Unanimous)

8. NEXT MEETING DATE AND TIME

The next meeting scheduled for February 25, 2016 at 6:30 p.m.

9. ADJOURNMENT

MOTION: Commissioner Giberti moved to adjourn at 7:53 p.m. Commissioner White seconded.

POLLED VOTE: Commissioner Giberti – yes
Commissioner White – yes
Commissioner Sweeney – yes
Commissioner Jordan – yes
4-0-0 (Unanimous)

Respectfully submitted

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Attest: 

James R. Giberti, Clerk Pro Temp
BOARD OF SEWER COMMISSIONERS

Date Signed: 2/25/2016

Date sent to the Town Clerk: 2/29/2016