

WATER-SEWER COMMINISSORS MINUTES

July 19, 2011

Present: Leo Collette, George Cornwall, Valorie Daigle, Charlie Packard and Mark Petersen

Absent: Dave Berger

1. Leo called the meeting at 6 PM
2. Charlie made a motion to approve the July 19, 2011 agenda, second by Val. Unanimous
3. Charlie made a motion to approve as written the July 19, 2011 minutes, second by Val, unanimous approved.
4. Nicolas Reitzel, 31 Main Street met with the water sewer commissioners. His last 2 bills were enormous. Mr. Reitzel has been working with Mark the Supt. and the Water Dept. The water meter is working correctly. The outside faucets have been fixed, the water heater had a pin hole, that the eye did not detect, but as time went by the hole grew larger. He has replaced the water heater. His tenants should be paying the base rate approximately 2300 cubic feet. Where the water did not go into the town sewer Mr. Reitzel requested abatement due to hardship. Val made a motion to abate the sewer in the amount of \$4,000 the water will stay the same, second by George. Unanimous
5. Tom LeCourt and Randy Brown Project Engineers from Tighe & Bond presented a draft copy for a Capital Improvement Plan (CIP) grant. The application will need establish a water main inventory; prioritize a list of water main replacement projects; hold a public meeting. A list of other project such as where water breaks occur most often, what condition are the mains, what are they made of. The cost of the projected project for 20 years is \$10,420,000. Val made a motion to accept the report from Tighe & Bond for the water infrastructure, second by George. 3 in favor 1 against. A copy of the CIP is in the Water-Sewer Office.
 - 5a. Mr. LeCourt & Mr. Brown reviewed the summary proposal for the Ashburnham-Winchendon Joint Water Authority contract operation and Maintenance Services RFP. The second part of the RFP bid package will be opened at the Joint Water Authority meeting on Wednesday July 20, 2011.
 - 5b. Mr. LeCourt & Mr. Brown also brought the Commissioners up to date on the new water tank project.

On Contract No. 1 RH White Construction are waiting for their vendor for the pumps.

Contract No. 2 Five Oaks Construction blasting is almost complete

Contract No. 3 Natgun will start pouring next week. In about 3 to 4 weeks they will be raising the panels.

Contract No. 4 Gardner Hill Tank Rehab project. Tighe & Bond will be putting out to bid the Gardner Hill Water Storage Tank Rehab Project in the fall or early winter

6. Dick Kilheart from Mass Rural Water the 1st week in August will come out to start leak detection
7. Munis will come out after the water-sewer billing to check out to see if the unaccounted water is correct.
8. Mark reported that he had talked with DEP. DEP would like the Water Dept. to implement the water ban, odd/even. The lake is down 8.04”
9. The Commissioners reviewed the 1 So Pleasant Street account. Val made a motion to abate all monies off the reading from the old meter, second by Charlie. All in favor
10. Val made a motion to adjourn at 8:25 PM, second by George, all in favor.

Respectfully submitted

Elaine Cormier
Admin Clerk

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