

OFFICE OF THE WATER DEPARTMENT TOWN HALL, 511 MAIN STREET DUNSTABLE, MA 01827-1313 (978) 649-4514 FAX (978) 649-8893 waterdept@dunstable-ma.gov

Approved: January 28, 2014

# Water Department Minutes Tuesday, November 19, 2013

Meeting was called to order at 7:00pm by Chairman, Karl Huber Members present: Bryan Conant and Bob Gamache Meeting held: At the Dunstable Town Hall – lower level

# Meeting Minutes of October 22, 2013

Bryan made a motion to approve the meeting minutes, as submitted, from the October 22nd meeting. Bob 2<sup>nd</sup> the motion. – Motion passed unanimously.

# **Review and Sign Monthly Bills**

\$2,485.40 of monthly bills were reviewed and signed by the Board.

#### Review and Sign Employee's Payroll

The Secretary's and Water Employee's payroll slips were signed.

#### **Breakdown of Finances for FY2014**

Members reviewed the fiscal year 2014 financial report.

#### Update on Money Owed to the Water Department

\$182.61 (interest included) is currently owed by one customer. Late notices with interest are mailed monthly.

#### December 24<sup>th</sup> Meeting

The Board decided to move the December 24<sup>th</sup> meeting to Tuesday, December 17<sup>th</sup>.

#### Articles for the Transfer of Water Department Free Cash – Special Town Meeting

The transfer of \$37,885 to the Water Special Project Add/Repl. Capital fund and \$18,660 to the Water Special Project Capital Repair/Maintenance was approved at Special Town Meeting. This was our state approved certified free cash from fiscal year 2013.

#### May 2014 Annual Town Meeting – Article for Storage Tank and Upgrades

The Board discussed that at the next meeting they will identify the projects and assign action items with milestones to each member (i.e. storage tank, upgrade of well equipment, replacement of water mains) in order to be ready for Annual Town Meeting. All agreed that this would need to be presented as a "town expense". Once projects are identified, the Board may bring back Tom Mahanna from Tighe and Bond to prepare for



OFFICE OF THE WATER DEPARTMENT TOWN HALL, 511 MAIN STREET DUNSTABLE, MA 01827-1313 (978) 649-4514 FAX (978) 649-8893 waterdept@dunstable-ma.gov

Annual Town Meeting. Karl believes that Mike Hunchard may also be a good source to identify our needs due to his knowledge of our equipment.

# Additional Topics Discussed Not Noted on the Agenda

#### Backflow Testing

The Secretary told members that this would be done the week of November 18<sup>th</sup>.

# Meter Readings

The Secretary reported that the meters have been read and fall water bills sent out. They are due on December 15th

# 157 Pleasant Street - Leak

The Water Department had been contacted by a resident at 157 Pleasant Street regarding a leak on his property. Fire Chief Brian Rich was in the office and went to the resident's home in order to assess the severity of the leak. The leak was minor and a bucket was placed under the pipe until a crew could get out to make the needed repair. With the aid of the Groton Water Department, David was able to fix the leak.

Bryan made a motion to close the meeting at 7:55pm. Bob 2<sup>nd</sup> the motion. – Motion passed unanimously. The next meeting of the Water Department will be Tuesday, December 17, 2013 at 7:00pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Cheryl A. Mann Secretary Dunstable Water Department