

**Hooksett Sewer Commission
January 20, 2009
Minutes**

The meeting was called to order at 12:00 PM. Present were Chairman Sidney Baines, Commissioner Raymond Robb, Commissioner Roger Bergeron, Superintendent Bruce Kudrick and Bethany Hague. George Longfellow from the Hooksett Town Council was also in attendance.

APPROVE & SIGN MINUTES FROM JANUARY 6, 2008

Commissioner Robb made a motion to accept the January 6, 2008 meeting minutes as read. Chairman Baines seconded. All in favor, motion carried unanimously.

APPROVED AND SIGNED MANIFESTS

READ CORRESPONDENCE

FINANCIAL REPORT – Guy Beloin submitted his report to the Board. The balances for the System Development fees in both NH PDIP and Checking accounts were shown, as well as the remainder of the SRF not drawn down yet, including the upcoming payment request #6 from Penta Corporation. Mr. Beloin also included the Actual vs. Budget report, and based on what has been spent to what is to be expended in the next six months, the Commission is on solid footing. Some line items have gone over their budgeted amounts, such as vehicle repairs and chlorine (the new type used costs twice as much), but other line items not expended have covered those overages. Most expenses are in line with last year, however the interest income has decreased due to falling interest rates.

Mr. Beloin did include with his report comparative municipal sewer budgets that included revenue increases based on increased rates for both usage and base (rent) charges. Discussion centered around the fact that the 2010 budget has increased roughly 58,000 from 2009, and increases were discussed in how to make up this amount.

SUPERINTENDENT KUDRICK'S REPORT

BUDGET – The budget hearing is set for Thursday, January 22nd. The final budget has been cut again to \$58,855 because the state of NH has locked in fuel pricing at \$2.06/gallon and that affected that line item.

NHDOT – Supt. Kudrick had discussed the need for a larger culvert pipe in front of Merchant Motors with a representative from NH DOT, and at the time Supt. Kudrick had no problems with the plans as they did not affect the sewer pipes. However, the State is now saying that the Hooksett Sewer Commission would have to fund this work, not the state. Chairman Baines told Supt. Kudrick that the Commission would not fund such a project, if anything, it would be the town's business. The Board gave Supt. Kudrick permission to send a letter stating that position to NH DOT.

WARRANT ARTICLE – There was discussion regarding the wording of the warrant article regarding any stimulus money the Commission could receive from the federal government. As the Board does not know the exact ratio about matching funds (usually federal is 75/25) they did not want to have to amend the article on the floor, or worse, have the article thrown out due to large of an increase in money expected to be fronted by ratepayers.

SCHEDULED APPOINTMENTS

OLD BUSINESS

There was no old business.

NEW BUSINESS

There was no new business.

NON-PUBLIC SESSION

The Commission did not go into non-public session.

PUBLIC INPUT

There was no public input

ADJOURNMENT

Commissioner Bergeron motioned to adjourn at 12:55 PM, Commissioner Robb seconded. All in favor, motion carried unanimously.

Respectfully submitted

Commissioner Ray Robb
Clerk