

**MARION BOARD OF SELECTMEN
WATER/SEWER COMMISSIONERS**

July 9, 2013

MEMBERS PRESENT: Stephen Cushing
Jonathan Henry, Clerk

MEMBERS ABSENT: Jonathan Dickerson, Chairman

ALSO PRESENT: Paul Dawson, Town Administrator
Jeff Paula
Matthew Bernat (Sippican Week)
Michael DeCicco (Standard Times)
Debra Paiva, secretary

The meeting was called to order at 7:00 p.m. in the Police Station conference room. Mr. Cushing announced that the meeting would be video recorded by ORCTV and audio recorded by Town of Marion staff. A list of the materials reviewed at the meeting will be attached to these minutes.

Approval of Meeting Minutes

Moved by Mr. Henry and seconded by Mr. Cushing to move the minutes of the June 18, 2013 and June 27, 2013 meetings. VOTE: 2-0-0

APPOINTMENTS

Jeff Paula – 416 Point Road

Mr. Paula was present to discuss eliminating the water service at 416 Point Road; he purchased the property in 2009. In 2005 the previous owner of the property applied for and installed a Geothermal heating system well which he also used for drinking water. When Mr. Paula purchased the home he had the water tested, it was found to be potable, and he was not aware that there was a water service on the property. The meter shows zero water consumption and Mr. Paula is billed a basic charge. He is requesting approval to remove the existing water service and have no further basic water charges. After discussion he was advised that the Board of Health would have to approve the well for drinking water use prior to the Selectmen considering removal of the water service.

ACTION ITEMS

Job Description - Facilities Manager

At the last meeting Mr. Dawson distributed copies of the draft job description for Board review. It was agreed that the position will be advertised and a special meeting will be held for discussion of the job description.

Water Commitment – Final readings - \$1591.67 (5/20/13)

Moved by Mr. Henry and seconded by Mr. Cushing to move the commitment. VOTE: 2-0-0

One day all alcohol license – Marion Social Club – chicken barbecue (7/14/13)

Moved by Mr. Henry and seconded by Mr. Cushing to move the request. VOTE: 2-0-0

Discussion – Loan of Music Hall tables to Congregational Church

The Congregational Church is requesting approval to borrow the Music Hall's older tables for use during the church's upcoming Summer Fair.

Moved by Mr. Henry and seconded by Mr. Cushing to allow the Congregational Church to borrow the specific tables requested. VOTE: 2-0-0

Water Abatement Request – 47 Main Street

An abatement request application containing information from Mr. Zora and the property owner was reviewed and discussed. Review of the information revealed that the request is for abatement of basic charges, similar requests were made and denied and 2007 and 2008, and downsizing the meter would reduce the charges. The Department of Public Works recommended that the request be denied.

Moved by Mr. Henry and seconded by Mr. Cushing to deny the request for a water abatement. VOTE: 2-0-0

Water Abatement Request – 94 Quails Crossing Road

An abatement request application containing information from Mr. Zora and the property owner was reviewed and discussed. Review of the information revealed that the property owner was notified when an increase in water consumption was discovered, the consumption dropped subsequent to the notification, and the Department of Public Works recommended that the request be denied.

Moved by Mr. Cushing and seconded by Mr. Henry to deny the request for a water abatement. VOTE: 2-0-0

Water Commitment – Water services and other charges - \$879.65 (7/2/13)

Moved by Mr. Henry and seconded by Mr. Cushing to move the commitment. VOTE: 2-0-0

Appointments to Boards and Committees

A list of individuals interested in serving on committees was reviewed and discussed. There are two vacancies on the Music Hall Advisory Committee and three applicants requested appointment. It was agreed to table appointments to the Music Hall Advisory Committee until Mr. Dawson has had an opportunity to speak with the chairman.

Marion Cultural Council

Moved by Mr. Henry and seconded by Mr. Cushing to appoint Madelaine Smith and Elizabeth Johnson to the Marion Cultural Council. VOTE: 2-0-0

Bike Path Committee

Moved by Mr. Henry and seconded by Mr. Cushing to appoint Robert Coykendall to the Bike Path Committee. VOTE: 2-0-0

Energy Management Committee

Moved by Mr. Henry and seconded by Mr. Cushing to appoint Eileen Marum to the Energy Management Committee. VOTE: 2-0-0

Water Commitment – Pressure sewer - \$10,000 (7/5/13)

Moved by Mr. Henry and seconded by Mr. Cushing to move the commitment. VOTE: 3-0-0

Water Commitment – Water tap - \$125 (7/8/13)

Moved by Mr. Henry and seconded by Mr. Cushing to move the commitment. VOTE: 3-0-0

TOWN ADMINISTRATOR REPORT

Update – Natural History Museum Repairs

Mr. Dawson said the project is moving forward well; the framing is done, the insulation is in, the walls are ready for the plastering subcontractor, and arrangements are being made for the insurance company inspection.

Update – Wetlands Restoration Bid

Mr. Dawson said the bids for the Grassi Bog and Goldavitz Bog were opened yesterday; he requested that the contract be awarded to Arne Excavating in an amount not to exceed \$47,330.

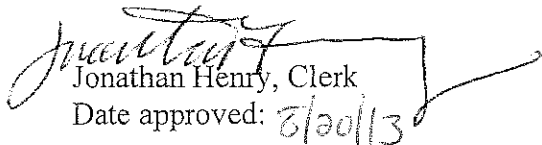
Moved by Mr. Henry and seconded by Mr. Cushing to move the recommendation of the Town Administrator. VOTE: 2-0-0

Update – Capital Improvement Plan Phase 1A and Phase 1B

Mr. Dawson said everything has been filed and he was hoping that the contract would be ready to be awarded tonight but he is waiting for approval from the other funding agencies.

Moved by Mr. Henry and seconded by Mr. Cushing at 7:53 p.m. to adjourn. VOTE: 2-0-0

Respectfully submitted,


Jonathan Henry, Clerk
Date approved: 8/20/13

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DOCUMENTS REVIEWED AT MEETING – July 9, 2013

Meeting minutes – June 18, 2013, June 27, 2013
Correspondence regarding water well at 471 Point Road
Draft job description – Facilities Manager
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Copy of letter regarding Upper Cape Regional School District budget (6/19/13)
Letter from Comcast regarding limited basic service (6/18/13)
Letter from Museum of Natural History regarding 13 Atlantis Drive
Letter from D. Belluche regarding name of upper portion of Buzzards Bay (6/27/13)
Copy of letter to D. Belluche from Buzzards Bay Coalition (6/28/13)
Request for mosquito spraying prior to Town Block Party
Letter regarding parade permit request – Better Future Project
Upper Cape Regional School District meeting minutes (5/9/13)
Marion Energy Management Committee meeting minutes (6/3/13)
Memo regarding reorganization of Board of Health