

**WATER & SEWER COMMISSION
MEETING MINUTES**

July 8, 2009

7:30 PM

Selectmen's Meeting Room Town Hall

Present: John Meader, Chairman
Bryant Firmin

Also

Present: Kara Buzanoski, DPW Director

NEW BUSINESS

1. Review and vote minutes of June 3, 2009 meeting.

The minutes were not available.

2. Meet with Al Aldrich re: 370 Davis St betterment waiver request.

Mr. Aldrich was present to request a variance from the requirement to connect to town sewer as noted in section 3-28 of the Town's bylaws.

The Commission agreed that given the age of the septic system and that the Board of Health has no problem with the system that they could grant a waiver from the requirement to connect.

Mr. Aldrich also requests an abeyance of the betterment.

The Commission discussed this and felt that there was enough of a question of interpretation of the regulations that in this case they would hold the betterment in abeyance until the sewer connection is made and the betterment due would be what was in effect at that time.

3. Review Administrative fee on bill for 27 Edmund Way.

The commission discussed that this homeowner has not been affected any differently than any other user, so no reductions will be issued.

4. Review betterment waiver request for 382 Davis St. & 2 Bridle Path Drive.

The commission began discussion of these and realized that the same questions they had on the request for 370 Davis St applied here. They asked Mrs. Buzanoski to get an interpretation form Town Counsel. They will take it up at the next meeting when the information from Town Counsel is available.

5. Review and execute contract for New Source approval and pump tests for the Brigham St well with Tata & Howard.

The commission reviewed the contract and voted to execute it with the addition of language addressing hazardous materials.

6. Review drainlayers' requests.

No drainlayers' requests were requested.

7. Review Correspondence.
Correspondence was reviewed.

OLD BUSINESS

1. Review of Assabet River Consortium Study.

The draft final sediment study from the Army Corps of Engineers is out and ready for review.

2. Review Brigham Street Well project.

In a previous agenda item, the Commission voted to execute the contract for the New Source approval so that all the water that was originally taken from Brigham, Crawford and Howard St wells can be taken from the Brigham St well site.

3. Supervisor's Report.

Mrs. Buzanoski noted that there were many questions about the administrative fee. The Commission voted to continue with the administrative fee and asked to make available more details of the fee, as an insert in the bill.

Next Meeting:

The next meeting will be August 5, 2009 at 7:30 pm.

Adjourn:

At 8:30 pm, Commissioner Firmin motioned to adjourn. Commissioner Meader seconded. The vote was unanimous in favor.

Respectfully submitted,

Kara Buzanoski
DPW Director