

**MEETING OF THE ORLEANS
BOARD OF WATER/SEWER COMMISSIONERS
May 19, 2010**

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A meeting of the Board of Water and Sewer Commissioners was held Wednesday, May 19, 2010 in the Nauset Room, Town Hall:

Those present were Kenneth McKusick, Robert Rich, Judith Bruce and Ann Hodgkinson of the Board, associate member, Leonard Short, Ed Barr, Finance Committee liaison, Absent were Lou Briganti, Water Superintendent, Jimmy Dishner of the Board and associate member Ken Rowell.

Kenneth McKusick called the Board of Water and Sewer Commissioners meeting to order at 1:34 p.m.

A.P. Franz

Mr. Franz of 39 South Orleans Road came before the Board to request some relief from his \$7,182.23 water bill dated February 1, 2010. Mr. Franz informed the Board that he had a leak in a private line from his home to his office which has since been repaired. He has acknowledged that he understands his responsibility and obligation and has currently paid \$3,895.89 towards the bill.

On a motion by Judith Bruce seconded by Robert Rich, the Board voted that they may in cases of excessive water bills resulting from leaks wish to charge usage that reflects the customer's average usual rate. The vote by the Board was 5-0-0.

A motion was made by Ann Hodgkinson seconded by Robert Rich to apply the average usual rate for Mr. Franz to his water bill from February 1, 2010 and abate the difference and any interest charged. The vote by the Board was 5-0-0.

MINUTES

A motion was made by Leonard Short seconded by Ann Hodgkinson to approve the minutes of the meeting of April 21, 2010 as written. The vote by the Board was 4-0-1 with Judith Bruce abstaining.

A motion was made by Ann Hodgkinson seconded by Judith Bruce to approve the minutes of the meeting of May 5, 2010 as written. The vote by the Board was 5-0-0.

NEW BUSINESS

COMMITMENTS/ABATEMENTS/REFUNDS

A motion was made by Judith Bruce seconded by Ann Hodgkinson to commit for the month of April 2010 to rate \$0.00, to services \$480.00, to usage \$0.00, to installation \$7,945.50 and to added billing \$99.21. The vote by the Board was 5-0-0.

Susan Brown of the Water Department requested that the Board abate a \$40.00 service bill #2010-127 to Robert Our Co. which was billed in error.

A motion was made by Judith Bruce seconded by Ann Hodgkinson to abate service bill #2010-127 in the amount of \$40.00. The vote by the Board was 5-0-0.

Susan Brown of the Water Department requested that the Board abate \$80.00 from account #1553 for a seasonal turn-on/off charge, a service that was not performed.

A motion was made by Judith Bruce and seconded by Ann Hodgkinson to abate \$80.00 from account #1553. The vote by the Board was 5-0-0.

OLD BUSINESS

WASTEWATER SUB-COMMITTEE

On a motion by Robert Rich seconded by Judith Bruce the Board of Water and Sewer Commissioners accepted the minutes of April 29, 2010 from their sub-committee to review and recommend policies on water/wastewater. The vote by the Board was 5-0-0.

OTHER BUSINESS

The Board was presented with a copy of Silent Spring Institute's May 12, 2010 press release and a copy of their report dated May 2010 and titled "Emerging Contaminants in Cape Cod Drinking Water".

Judith Bruce wishes to see Orleans participate in sampling in the future if possible.

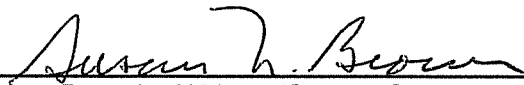
ANNOUNCEMENTS

There will be a meeting June 7, 2010 at 6:30pm in the Nauset room of Town Hall for board and committee members to review with Town Counsel Michael Ford the new open meeting laws which are effective July 1st.

ADJOURNMENT

At 2:10 p.m., a motion was made by Leonard Short and seconded by Judith Bruce to adjourn the meeting. The vote by the Board was 5-0-0.

The next regular meeting is scheduled for June 2, 2010 at 1:30 p.m.


Secretary, Board of Water/Sewer Commissioners

MEETING OF THE SUBCOMMITTEE

BOARD OF WATER SEWER COMMISSIONERS

APRIL 29, 2010

A MEETING OF THE SUBCOMMITTEE ESTABLISHED BY THE BOARD TO REVIEW AND RECOMMEND POLICIES ON WATER/WASTE WATER WAS HELD APRIL 28, 2010, 2PM IN THE SKAKET ROOM, TOWN HALL.

PRESENT WERE JUDITH BRUCE, ANN HODGKINSON AND JIMMY DISHNER

A. MEETING WAS CALLED TO ORDER AT 2PM

B. DISCUSSION

The committee reviewed information gleaned from individuals, Towns personal experience and engineers compiling an initial list of policy items that could be presented to the full Board for discussion and consideration after further review by the subcommittee:

- 1. By Laws: Include with water or separately*
- 2. Financial sytem:Enterprise or other(revenue sharing)*
- 3. Access to sewer systems*
- 4. Organization within water department or separate*
- 5. Regionalization with adjacent Towns*
- 6. Business plan*
- 7. Hookup criteria...see checker board*
- 8. Zoning must drive loading..Village Plan,Board of Health*
- 9. Organization: Water/Sewer*
- 10. Town responsibility for payment of wastewater use*

Subcommittee will continue meeting as called expanding and fleshing out needed policies.

PUBLIC COMMENT: None

**ADJOURNMENT: Motion by Ann Hodgkinson, second by Judith Bruce to adjourn
Vote was 3-0 Time 3:15**

**BOARD COMMENTS MAY 5, 2010:Prioritize what is needed now;add Board
acceptance;add public or private plant operation**

APPROVED BY SUBCOMMITTEE: MAY 26,2010

ACCEPTED BY BOARD: