

**MEETING OF THE ORLEANS
BOARD OF WATER/SEWER COMMISSIONERS
December 15, 2010**

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A meeting of the Board of Water and Sewer Commissioners was held Wednesday, December 15, 2010 in the Nauset Room, Town Hall:

Those present were Kenneth McKusick, Jimmy Dishner, Judith Bruce and Ann Hodgkinson of the Board, associate members, Ken Rowell and Leonard Short, Susan Brown and Todd Bunzick of the Water Department, and Walter Bennett, Finance Committee liaison. Absent was Robert Rich of the Board.

Ann Hodgkinson called the Board of Water and Sewer Commissioners meeting to order at 2:00 p.m.

MINUTES

A motion was made by Ann Hodgkinson seconded by Jimmy Dishner to approve the minutes of the meeting of December 1, 2010 as written. The vote by the Board was 5-0-0.

WATER DEPARTMENT REPORT

STORAGE TANKS

During his final inspection of the tank repairs, Leo Yuskus of Haley and Ward noted a gap in the final at Tank #2 that he has asked Hemi Enterprise to return and fix. We are waiting for appropriate weather for the repair to be made. Leo has promised to keep on top of this for us.

The rebuilt altitude valve has been painted by the department. Todd offered to show any of the board members who were interested.

WATER MANAGEMENT ACT PERMIT

The Department of Environmental Protection has issued an interim Water Management Act Permit effective November 30, 2010 authorizing the continued withdrawal of previous permitted volumes. The interim permit shall be valid until MassDEP approves or denies our request for a permit renewal.

MassDEP is working on a formula for instituting conservation requirements based on monitoring well levels as opposed to RGPCD due to the complicated nature of determining the Cape's summer population.

OLD BUSINESS

WATER SUPERINTENDENT

The deadline for applicants is January 3, 2011. Chairman Ann Hodgkinson will sit on the reviewing committee along with John Kelly and Sims McGrath.

Kenneth McKusick has asked that Ann Hodgkinson seek opinions on potential candidates from Susan Brown and Todd Bunzick.

WASTEWATER SUBCOMMITTEE

A motion was made by Ann Hodgkinson seconded by Judith Bruce to approve the minutes of November 22, 2010 for the BWSC Sub-committee. The vote by the Sub-committee was 3-0-0.

Ann Hodgkinson approached the Chairman of the Board of Selectmen about a joint meeting of the Boards with David Withrow regarding whether the proposed sewer department will be a Special Revenue Fund or an Enterprise Fund. Margie Fulcher of the BOS will schedule this meeting sometime in January 2011.

It is important to make this decision now because a Special Revenue Fund will have to pass the legislature and can take up to 2-years.

On a motion by Leonard Short seconded by Kenneth McKusick the Board of Water Commissioners voted to accept the November 22, 2010 minutes of the wastewater sub-committee. The vote by the Board was 5-0-0.

NEW BUSINESS

COMMITMENTS/ABATEMENTS/REFUNDS

A motion was made by Kenneth McKusick seconded by Judith Bruce to commit for the month of November 2010 to rate \$0.00, to services \$880.00, to usage \$0.00, to installations \$5,645.30 and to added billing \$86.99. The vote by the Board was 5-0-0.

ADJOURNMENT

At 2:21 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.

LIST OF DOCUMENTS USED

1. Minutes December 1, 2010
2. DEP letter dated November 30, 2010 regarding Interim Water Management Act Permit
3. November 22, 2010 minutes of the BWSC Subcommittee
4. November 2010 commitments

The next regular meeting is scheduled for January 5, 2011 at 1:30 p.m.


Secretary, Board of Water/Sewer Commissioners