

## TOWN OF SUNAPEE WATER AND SEWER COMMISSION P.O. BOX 347, SUNAPEE, NH 03782-0347 (603) 763-2115

## Board of Commissioners Meeting July 28, 2016 Sunapee Town Offices

PRESENT: Theodore Gallup-Chairman, Peter Hill, J. Anthony Bergeron, Kurt Markarian,

Gunter (Dundee) Nestler, David Cain.

Also present: Holly Leonard, David Bailey, Kenny Lyman, Maura Stetson.

The Chairman called the meeting to order at 5:30 p.m.

## Forms for Signing:

<u>June 30, 2016 Meeting Minutes:</u> Anthony B. made a motion to accept the minutes of the June 30<sup>th</sup> meeting, seconded by David C., voted unanimously in favor, so declared by the Chairman.

<u>June Sewer Purchase Journal:</u> Anthony B. made a motion to accept the Sewer Journal, seconded by David C., after some discussion regarding Underwood and C & S Contracting, voted unanimously in favor, so declared by the Chairman.

June Water Purchase Journal: David C. made a motion to accept the Purchase Journal as written, seconded by Anthony B., after some discussion regarding Blue Tarp Financial, voted unanimously in favor, so declared by the Chairman.

<u>BUR 102 Abatement Request:</u> David C. made a motion to accept the abatement request, seconded by Anthony B., after Dave B. told the Commission that the Assessors had confirmed that the property was one single unit not two, voted unanimously in the affirmative, so declared by the Chairman.

2. Wastewater Treatment Highlights: Dave B. reported that the plant's yearly inspection had resulted in no issues found that needed any further action and that this is a first for him as Superintendent. Dave B. stated that he had received three quotes for generator maintenance and that the one he had from Southworth Milton Cat was from February as they had not responded to his current request for a quote. There was some discussion regarding the three quotes and what the companies were going to do for the department for maintenance. There was some discussion regarding Yankee Generators and the fact that they already perform work for the department. There was much discussion regarding what happens when there is a power outage, how long it would take to do the maintenance in house and the fact that department personnel have historically done the maintenance in house. Dave B. stated that he would like to see an outside company take over the maintenance. Kurt M. made a motion to move forward with Yankee Generator and to hire them for generator maintenance, seconded by Peter H., after some discussion regarding parts and costs and reasons for and against hiring a company to do the maintenance, voted 4 in favor, 1 opposed, the motion passes in the majority, so declared by the Chairman.

## 3. Water Treatment Highlights:

Dave B. reported that he has recently received a letter from DES about testing for PFOA's and he stated that this year the testing is voluntary not compulsory. Dave B.

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stated that the test will cost approximately \$400 per test. After some discussion regarding testing prior to it becoming part of the compliance testing schedule, the Commission confirmed that in their opinion it was good to be proactive and test for the contaminant now before it becomes a rule.

Dave B. stated that the new water tank mixer is in and that using it is going well so far. Dave B. thinks that the iron problems on High Street have decreased as one of the homeowner's there has stated that the water has cleared up. Dave B. stated that he thinks this is due to having increased the pH by adding more Soda Ash.

4. Old & New Business: Dave C. questioned if anything had gone on with the water

pressure issues on Winn Hill and the School watering of ball fields. Dave B. stated that he has spoken with the school and that they have agreed to water at night instead of in the afternoon and there have not been any more complaints. Perkins Pond Resident Letter Regarding Pump Issues: Dave B. stated that as all the Commissioner's had seen there had been a letter from a Perkins Pond Resident regarding pump failures. Theodore G. stated that there have been two problems that had occurred and that Dave B. has been trying to get some satisfaction for the two homeowners in question by putting some pressure on the distributor to get them to honor their cost of repairs under warranty, but that ultimately the pump stations belong to the homeowners and not the Town. There was some discussion regarding the fact that there are six other low pressure systems in Sunapee and that there have been no similar problems with them to the knowledge of the department. Kenny L. stated that from what he observed it looked like the pump that he saw with the issue had not been put together correctly. There was some discussion regarding how this part that had leaked could possibly have been damaged. Kenny L. questioned Peter H. as to what had occurred when he had tried to install different pump for a resident that met the specifications and Peter H. stated that what he had received seemed to not be a good product and that it had not come with all of

stated that he has spoken with DES and that they are interested in keeping Mahoney responsible as there are many of these pumps and systems in service within the State. Dave B. stated that Mahoney had pointed the finger at the Town stating that the Sewer Department hadn't maintained the system, Dave B. reported that the Department has opened up each manhole and cleaned them out and checked the air release valves as part of the necessary yearly maintenance as required by the O & M manual for the Perkins

the other parts that were needed for installation and that he had ended up installing an eone after all for the resident. Kenny L. stated that he gives the customers an option of a concrete tank with an upgrade e-one pump or the e-one pump and tank that comes

preassembled. There was some discussion regarding the different types of tanks. Dave B.

The next meeting will be held August 25th.

Pond System.

6:20 p.m. David C. made a motion to adjourn, seconded by Kurt M., voted unanimously in the affirmative, so declared by the Chairman.

Peter Hill

Submitted by Holly Leonard.

Approved by the Water & Sewer Commission this 25th day of Cagain to 2016.

Theodore Gallup-Chairman

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