

**Wayland Board of Public Works
December 20, 2010
7:30 PM
WAYLAND TOWN BUILDING
Meeting Minutes
Approved 1/11/2011**

Present: Knapp, Brown, Abdella (8:38), Mishara (8:45), Ouellette, Gorham.

7:35 Knapp opened the meeting.

Public Comment

Tom Sciacca 31 Rolling Lane

Sciacca spoke about the history of the treatment plant and expressed his concern about the higher water rate. A discussion ensued about the cost of water. A discussion ensued about a second water treatment plant. Sciacca stresses the need to protect the wells.

Mike Lowry

Thanked the Board for the data he had asked for and received.

Handed the board a chart showing % of water users at different tiers & % of increase in water rates with the capital improvement fee.

Water Issues

37 High Gate Road

Michael Ripley present

Ripley requested in writing that the board allow him to pay his high water bill based on 9.10 per cubic feet vs 12.60 per cubic feet over 10,000 cubic feet. The letter stated that a leaky toilet had been found and repaired.

Abdella made a motion to allow the rate adjustment from 12.60 to 9.10 subject to verification by the DPW

2nd Knapp

Unanimous in favor

28 Clubhouse Lane

Alan Bortman present

Bortman told the board that he had high water bills in 2008 & 2009 and wants to deal with them. Bortman said that they had a leak in 2008 which has since been fixed. A discussion ensued about his property and the fact that the property is actually in Natick. A discussion ensued about liens and how they work. Ouellette suggested to the Board that they reduce the anomaly, the 27,000 cubic foot usage in 2008, to 10,000 cubic feet. Knapp encouraged Bortman to address any anomaly in the future with the town. Knapp reminded Bortman that residents are the boss in town.

Brown made a motion to abate the 2008 water bill from 27,000 cubic feet to 10,000 cubic feet

2nd Mishara

Unanimous in favor

Board decided to table discussion about marketing budget articles until January 2011.

Traffic Calming

A draft copy of the Traffic Calming Policy was handed out to the board with changes by Mishara. Ouellette told the board that he does not like obstacles in the road. A discussion ensued about different traffic calming options. Brown said that he wants to make certain the board has the option to do something rather than be forced to do something when an application for traffic calming is made. Mishara said that the decision must be very discretionary. A discussion ensued about the traffic calming policy. A discussion ensued about wider roads and more sidewalks throughout town. Mishara asked that Turkington, Lanza, Chief Irving and Chief Loomer look at the draft policy. Ouellette said that Turkington has already read through parts of the policy. It was suggested that the draft policy be posted on the town website for comments via emails. Brown suggested the policy be tightened up a bit before posting. A discussion ensued about editing prior to sending the draft policy on to Turkington.

Knapp made a motion to appoint Mishara as the DPW liaison to the CPC Committee.

2nd Abdella

Unanimous in favor

Mishara made a motion to appoint Brown DPW recreation liaison.

2nd Knapp

Unanimous in favor

Ouellette told the board that he had received an email from Nancy McShea, Recreation Director stating that she will continue to collect users fees from Crew. McShea requested that the board continue to transport the floats to and from the Regatta.

Brown made a motion that the Department of Public Works continue to transport Crew's floats to and from the Regatta since the Recreation Department will continue to collect user fees based on the email by McShea and the floats are a value to the town.

2nd Abdella

Unanimous in favor.

Transfer Station

A discussion ensued about the joint transfer station experiment on December 11, 2011. Ouellette told the board that Turkington is setting up a meeting with the Sudbury Town Manager to discuss the transfer stations. Knapp suggested setting out a web cam at the transfer station. Knapp also suggested offering more than one type of sticker. A discussion ensued about load balance. Knapp suggested extending hours on Saturday by an hour. A discussion ensued about the pilot program. Brown said that the pilot program should not be judged by one difficult hour. The sense of the board is that the Town try the pilot program again on a Saturday. A discussion ensued about the future staffing at the transfer station.

Ouellette told the board that pavers were torn up at route 20/27 & 126. The DPW did a temporary repair. The historical commission was not happy but now they understand.

Ouellette told the board that two scenic trees fell on Rice Road. One of these trees his the power lines.

Ouellette told the board about the work the DPW is doing around Loker School. Ouellette told the board about the history and the pond. The DPW was asked by the Superintendent of Schools to clean up the area. The Conservation Commission is making the DPW file to do the work.

Next Meeting January 10, 2011

Knapp made a motion to adjourn at 8:41

2nd Mishara

Unanimous in favor