WAYLAND BOARD OF PUBLIC WORKS WAYLAND TOWN BUILDING

May 07, 2012
7:00 PM
MEETING MINUTES
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Present: Michael Wegerbauer, Bob Goldsmith, Mike Lowery (Chair), Tom Abdella (Vice Chair), Don Ouellette and Diane Gorham

Lowery opened the meeting at 7:05 PM

Public Comment

Mary Antes of Wayland and Bill Fenn from Framingham are Present.

Antes told the Board that she and Bill Fenn are on the Wild and Scenic Rivers Stewardship Counsel. Antes told the Board that they are considered with the debris in and around Old Stone Bridge. Fenn said that this debris has accumulated for over 10 years. Discussion about conservation issues. They expressed their concern about how the debris will effect the river. Fenn said that they have a small grant for \$2,500.00. Fenn said that they wanted to talk to the DPW about taking care of Old Stone Bridge. Ouellette said that currently the neighborhood takes care of the area. Fenn asked that the DPW estimate the cost to clean it us and they will put the \$2,500.00 towards the cost of cleaning. They may have more money in the future to help with the cost of the cleaning. Discussion about who owns the bridge? Town or state? Lowery said this will be put on the May 21st agenda. ****15 minutes.

Paul Riesman – 19 Barney Hill Road

Riesman said that he has lived in Wayland for 40 yrs and can't understand how the water bill can go from \$200. - \$2,000.

Water Abatements

17 Forty Acres – Watkins present Acct. 1400600

very high usage irrigation problem?

Water needs to be changed. Document from the irrigation company about the irrigation system. Lowery told Watkins that abatements are granted once only. You can't come back to the Board if the problem isn't fixe.

Wegerbauer made a motion to abate to 40000 cubic feet billed at tiered rate and to waive any interest and fees. Provided the meter is changed. (1 inch)
Ta 2nd

3-1-0 approved (Lowery opposed)

25 Maguire – Neil Bernstein is present. Acct. 0101630

2nd abatement request.

Bernstein had the water division check his meter. Meter is reading accurately. Bernstein has not had a plumber check his system.

Lowery made a motion to wait for a whole cycle to go through, hold off on lien and to abate any interest and fees.

2nd Wegerbauer

3-0-1 Goldsmith abstained

139 Buckskin – Vaios Theodorakos is present Acct. 1304880

high usage irrigation problem. New system put in, then there was a break in the system. Need new meter

Wegerbauer made a motion to abate 25000 cu ft abating \$2567.80 to \$3000.00.

After a meter change.

Wegerbauer

2nd Goldsmith

4-0

Abdella made a motion to not consider water abatements due to irrigation leaks after April 1, 2013.

2nd Lowery

amended to for no abatements granted for lost water due to irrigation problems for any reads after July 1 2013.

4-0.

action item get the notice out.

Water Rate Hearing

(No one is present in the audience.)

Ouellette encouraged the Board to set the retained earnings level. Ouellette recommended the amount be 2.4 million. As far as giving money back to residents Ouellette advised not to give all of the money back in one year. Don't give it all back in one year. 25% recommend for this year. About \$250. thou. Or take \$50.00 out of admin fee to \$6.00.

Lowery reviewed Wegerbauer summary. Discussion.

No one in audience. (Will hold one more hearing)

Ouellette passed out the water budget report. Discussion.

Discussion about 5 year capital plan.

Ouellette said the biggest expenses coming up is a filter change out for the Treatment plant. This will cost approximately \$500,000. and to have the water tank cleaned out. Discussion. Ouellette said that we will be 100% in compliance with the state. Discussion about the difference between the old capital improvement fee and administration fee. Discussion about how Town Counsel's opinion is that he board can regulate the private wells as we do for the public systems. Discussion. Hearing closed until the 21st

Beautification spigots (need print out for next meeting.) Discussion about how beautification does business.

Retain consultant for water rates and financial oversight
Discussion about our own reports. Ouellette said that we can create reports pretty easily.
Discussion about an income statement and balance sheet. Discussion about the kind of information the board wants. Abdella will get a model to reproduce. Discussion.

Recreation Priority list

Ouellette told the Board that Recreation is meeting Wednesday night and M Lindeman and M Lowery are planning to attend. The soccer nets will be discussed. Discussion about the need for ADA accessibility. Discussion about the priority list and Lindeman's summary of the list. Time Frame and approximate costs for each item is needed.

Recreation Liaison and Appointment to CPC

Lowery made a motion to appoint Goldsmith liaison to CPC and Wegerbauer liaison to Recreation.

2nd Abdella

Unanimous in favor

Traffic Calming Requests.

Ouellette said that the signs and posts are a rainy day project. All but one of the speed bumps have been put in. They are removable bumps. Slow Children Signs will be going in on Glezen Lane. Traffic counts have been done on Parkland Drive, there is no data yet. Discussion.

Physical Alteration Permit re-draft

Abdella suggested the Board wait for Mishara.

Next Steps DPW Garage Planning

Abdella said that they are supposed to be discussing the scope of work. Ouellette said that Moynihan will work up a schedule.

Storm water improvements

Need copy of storm water document from lowery. **** discussion about storm water mapping. Still in Conservation. Discussion about the process. Ouellette explained what the outfalls need to be tested for

Board Members reports and Concerns

Wegerbauer made a motion to approve March 5th minutes as amended 2nd Abdella 4-0 in favor

Wegerbauer made a motion to approve March 24th minutes 2nd Abdella 4 - 0 in favor

Abdella made a motion to approve April 30 minutes as amended 2nd Wegerbauer 4 - 0 in favor

Meeting adjourned at 9:55 pm.