

WAYLAND WASTEWATER MANAGEMENT DISTRICT COMMISSION

MEETING OF OCTOBER 6, 2010

MINUTES

In attendance: Fred Knight, David Schofield, Shawn Fennelly, Bill Prendergast

Guests: Prescott Baston, resident

Linda Segal, resident

John Moynihan

Fred Turkington (by telephone)

Chairman Fred Knight called the meeting to order at 7:30 PM.

During the public comment period, Prescott Baston asked if Twenty Wayland could veto the allocation of capacity in the wastewater system. Also, Mr. Baston commented on an article for the November Special Town Meeting. This article would rescind the authorized debt of \$27,000 intended to connect Town Building to the wastewater system. He wondered if Town Building was planning to give up their allocated capacity of 3,000 gallons per day.

John Moynihan reported on issues pertaining to the construction of the new wastewater treatment plant. He expects the land swap to take place before the second week of November 2010. Town Counsel Mark Lanza will draw up details of the land swap. He stated that Twenty Wayland has two pump stations to pump wastewater from Town Center to the treatment plant. Mr. Moynihan stated that there is sufficient electrical capacity to operate both the current plant and the new plant simultaneously. He expects to sign the construction contract no later than November 23, 2010.

John Moynihan reported that Waterline Industries submitted the lowest bid for the construction contract. The bid was \$4,135,604.00. Shawn Fennelly made a motion to award the construction contract to Waterline Industries. The motion was seconded by David Schofield. The vote on the motion was 3 – 0 in favor of the motion. John Moynihan stated that he would sign the contract the day after the land swap became effective. Mr. Moynihan estimated the total project cost for the new plant at \$5,195,784.00.

The Commission discussed the need for an easement from Twenty Wayland to connect Wayland Meadows to the treatment plant. Bill Prendergast reported that he had received a call from Brian Card of Brendon Properties, owner of Wayland Meadows. Mr. Card stated that Wayland Meadows was connected to the treatment plant and that he had been responsible for making the connection. John Moynihan offered to check whether the connection had been made.

With Fred Turkington on the telephone, the Commission discussed a letter dated June 9, 2010 to Adam Kahn (Commission attorney) from Charles N. Le Ray (Twenty Wayland

attorney) proposing a settlement agreement between Twenty Wayland and the Commission. The Commission objecting to the following conditions proposed in the agreement:

1. The flow limit of 1670 gallons per day for Wayland Meadows until Twenty Wayland receives approval for capacity of 45,000 gallons per day.
2. Until Twenty Wayland receives approval for capacity of 45,000 gallons per day, the Commission will not issue any sewer connection permits to existing or new users or allow any existing user to increase capacity allocation.

The subject of billing Wayland Meadows for user fees was discussed. Bill Prendergast suggested a billing plan. In his plan, Wayland Meadows will be billed user fees based only on capacity. As housing units are sold, capacity will be transferred from Wayland Meadows to the unit owner who will be billed based on capacity (220 gpd for a two-bedroom unit) and water usage. The suggested starting time for the billing procedure is January 2011.

Discussion of water conservation was postponed until the next meeting.

The contract amendment requested by Tighe & Bond was discussed. Approval of the request was postponed until John Moynihan discusses the request with Ian Catlow of Tighe & Bond.

Fred Knight reported that he had been advised by Fred Turkington that the Wastewater Commission would not be dissolved until the new plant is completed.

Bill Prendergast distributed a copy of a preliminary FY2012 budget showing income and expenses of \$485,375. The increase of \$207,035 over the FY2011 budget is due to debt service for the loan to build the new treatment plant. The debt service will be paid for by an increase in user fees or by user betterments.

Fred Knight reported that it is necessary for Commission members to take the examination for the new open meeting law.

The meeting adjourned at 9:22 PM.

Respectfully submitted,

William R. Prendergast

Distribution:

Fred Knight

David Schofield

Shawn Fennelly

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