

WAYLAND WASTEWATER MANAGEMENT DISTRICT COMMISSION

MEETING OF DECEMBER 7, 2011

MINUTES

In attendance: David Schofield, Sam Potter, John Moynihan, Bill Prendergast

Guests: Anette Lewis, Wayland Resident

Linda Segal, Wayland resident

Prescott Baston, Wayland resident

Ian Catlow, Tighe & Bond

Location of meeting: Wayland Town Building

Acting Chairman David Schofield called the meeting to order at 7:35 PM.

Anette Lewis requested copies of all Wastewater contracts. John Moynihan reported that copying of the contracts was in process.

Ian Catlow reported some very preliminary observations concerning a possible leaching field adjacent to Town Building. He used maps and drawings to illustrate the observations. He reported relatively high groundwater at 2.5 to 3.5 feet below the ground surface. Based on test results, he listed potential issues that could impact leachfield feasibility:

1. The shallow depth to groundwater would result in mounding of a proposed leachfield.
2. DEP regulations require designers to perform percolation testing on the soil stratum that is expected to receive the proposed discharge.
3. DEP regulations require 4 feet of native material capable of passing a percolation test.

Mr. Catlow emphasized that the observations were preliminary and that about one month would be required to complete the study. He suggested another possibility for disposal of treated wastewater. The wastewater might be discharged by means of irrigation of the playing fields.

An engineer from Tighe & Bond reported on the status of construction of the new treatment plant. Most of the exterior work is complete. Equipment is being installed. Some painting has been completed. Testing will begin by the end of January 2012.

Jon Moynihan presented two contractor invoices for payment approval. The amount of the invoices was \$204,327.23 from Waterline for construction and \$21,376.46 from Tighe & Bond for construction administration. Sam Potter made a motion to approve payment of the invoices. David Schofield seconded the motion. The vote was 2 – 0 in favor of the motion.

The water problems of the Public Safety Building were discussed. John Moynihan reported that there were three sump pumps in the basement of the Public Safety Building. He stated that the plumbing code requires a connection from these pumps to a sewer.

David Schofield suggested a discussion of the Public Safety Building water problems with the Board of Selectmen.

The problem of unauthorized discharge of storm water to the sewer system was discussed. David Schofield made a motion to authorize the monitoring of wastewater flow discharged from Wayland Commons properties at a cost not to exceed \$10,000. Sam Potter seconded the motion. The vote was 2 – 0 in favor of the motion.

Under water conservation, David Schofield offered to discuss the subject with Dan Bennett and report at the next meeting.

The minutes of the meeting of November 9, 2011 were approved with corrections. The minutes of the meeting of September 7, 2011 were reviewed and corrections were suggested. A vote could not be taken because there was not a quorum of Commissioners who attended that meeting. Approval was deferred until the next meeting.

Bill Prendergast distributed a financial report showing a bank balance of \$939,465.82 as of December 5, 2011. He pointed out that no loan money was included in this balance. Loan money is reported in separate reports.

The meeting adjourned at 10:03 PM.

Respectfully submitted,

William R. Prendergast

Distribution:

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David Schofield

Sam Potter

Board of Selectmen

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