

WAYLAND WASTEWATER MANAGEMENT DISTRICT COMMISSION

MEETING OF 21 July 2014

MINUTES

In attendance: Fred Knight, Rick Greene ,(Sam Potter joined at 8:39),Cindy Cincotta

Absent:

Guests: Nancy Carapezza, Woody Baston, Lin Perry

Location of meeting: Senior Center, Wayland Town Building

Fred Knight called the meeting to order at 7:50 PM.

7:50 1. Call to order

7:50 2. Public Comment

- Nancy: The plant is very noisy. Sam keeps telling us that the WWMDC is on our side. She does not agree with the pro-rata share. She is worried about future capital expense. Once the betterments are filed we are probably going to have to do other things. Some of the cost will go down, there should be some option to leave the system. She went back and looked at her cost in the range of \$100,000. She called friends and their MWRA rates are probably 25% cheaper. We are in the range of \$2800 - \$3200 per year. She is concerned about her town. How will it maintain itself? Some of the figures blow her mind.
- Rick Greene commented, we have recently been made aware of the noise issue. We received a notice today and will be addressing that in the near future. Being a dentist office you are at a disadvantage due to the title V capacity. Given the changes in dental technology, the reality of a dentist practice today is the capacity is overstated for medical and dental industries. I would urge you to contact Representative Conroy. This may bring you some relief. 200gpd per dentist. Given the changes in dental technology
- Donna Carleton of 32 Hastings Way stated that since the announcement came for executive sessions they have been closed out. She appreciated seeing the statement. She came from Sudbury and maintained her own septic system. They knew about the tax rate when we moved, but did not know about the wastewater fees. The noise level when walking by the plant is awful. We will have a betterment charge and operation charges quarterly. The new Brendon Homes condos are aware, but Wayland Meadows owners were not made aware.
- Rick Greene stated it is very frustrating not to be able to discuss executive sessions.
- Donna also stated there are a lot of legal issues that must be addressed based on the number of executive sessions.

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- Fred Knight stated it is frustrating and it is a big burden on the users.
 - Donna asked about the monies they have been paying and Rick explained the payments have been made in principal and interested on the bonded debt. If you pay early you are not paying interest. We would invest the betterments paid in advance.
- 8:03 3. Discussion of billing status, water meter reads, and budgets
- The quarter bills were sent out and the meters were read.
- 8:04 4. (Sam) Punch list items for WWTF: discussion and status
- Sam is absent, so we table.
- 8:05 5. Pay bills
- No new bills.
- 8:05 6. Approval of minutes for 2014: 6/23, 6/30, 7/15
- Have to put this off until next meeting.
- 8:05 7. Outstanding Administrative Adjustments to Prior Bills.
- Brendon Homes request to relinquish 380 gallons per day.
 - We need to consult to Town Counsel to discuss the best manner to do this.
- 8:06 8. Discussion of betterment procedure: status and discussion.
- Rick moved to table this item until we come out of executive session.
 - The only update is that Cindy is making sure the properties that associated with the capacities are correctly allocated and deed information is correct.
- 8:08 9. Update on possible reduction of interest charged on betterments, either by legislative action or WWMDC action
- Table this item.
- 8:08 10. Web site status: recent postings and organization.
- Rick prepared a listing of re-formatting the website.
- 8:15 11. (Rick) OARS sunset discussion
- Organization that represents water quality monitoring for the Assabet region.
 - A settlement required we use OARS annually. A maximum fee of \$4,500 can be charged.
 - Rick will look into this.
- 8:22 12. Topics not reasonably anticipated by chair 48 hours in advance of the meeting, if any.
- An email message was received and the noise issue at the treatment plant was mentioned and will be addressed.
- 8:30 13. Calendar: upcoming meetings and events, including hearings.
- We might have to have a meeting on Monday.
- 8:32 14. Public Comment
- Lyn Perry: asked about the amount of the betterment. The board answered: We are working hard to determine the amount of the betterment.
 - Fred commented the amount will be based on the capital cost for this betterment. When you have a capital cost it is certainly an investment and a long term situation. We certainly hope the plant will last more than twenty

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years.

- Several members of the audience asked questions about the sale of Twenty Wayland. The board answered: we do not know about the sale of Twenty Wayland.

8:40 15. Executive Session on litigation with 20Wayland and potential litigation with other users

- Motion to go into executive session per the agenda

10:23 16. Executive Session continued with the Board of Selectmen on litigation with 20Wayland and potential litigation with other users

10:24 17. Possible actions based on executive sessions.

- None

10:25 18. Adjourn

Respectfully submitted,
Cindy Cincotta

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