

BOARD OF WATER/SEWER COMMISSIONERS
166 John Scott Blvd., Norton, MA 02766
Tuesday, February 19, 2013

7:30pm. Meeting called to Order. Commissioners Steve Wiseman, Luke Grant and Diane McElligott present. Also present Duane Knapp, Rose Melito, Fran Yanuskiewicz and Barbara Cook.

Minutes: The minutes of the February 5, 2013 Board Meeting were read, approved and signed as submitted.

Weston & Sampson-Updates:

Water Treatment Plant: Barbara Cook submitted the Pilot Study for Wells 4,5,& 6. Stating this document presents the results of Weston & Sampson's treatability study for three of the Town's wells and a preliminary planning-phase cost estimate for the water treatment plant. A brief review and discussion included the Pilot description, testing results, testing conclusions, compliance, residual and solid handling and estimated costs. (copy attached). Ms. Cook concluded by stating once the Board reviews and approves she will submit the report to DEP for approval. That process could take as much as 2-3 months. She asked that the Board notify her when to proceed.

CWMP: MEPA application on hold.

Reilly Property: Commissioner Wiseman stated the letter requesting the Board of Selectmen to execute the Town's right of first refusal was sent last week. He would follow up with the Town Manager and FinCom stating we can't let the deadline slip by.

274 East Main St.: Amy Markham and Maureen Sroczynski, residents and members of the Kingsberry Hill Condo Association came before the Board to discuss their concerns regarding the proposed East Main Street project. As abutters they questioned the proposed sewer design and the impact it would have on them (financially) if it was installed along East Main Street. It was stated that their septic systems have been well maintained and they shouldn't have to bare the financial burden of tie-ing into the sewer line just because a private developer is installing sewer for his project. They intend to fight the project in court if necessary. Commissioner Wiseman informed them that the developer has come before this Board and two or three options have been discussed but there has not been a final sewer design proposal submitted as of yet. He also informed them that with 40B projects there are certain provisions the Board must follow. He suggested that their attendance at any future Water/Sewer Board Meetings where the East Main Street project is on the agenda may be in their best interest, to stay informed.

Wheaton College: Commissioner McElligott stated she has a phone conference scheduled with Mr. Douglas tomorrow, and he will be reporting at a Board of Trustees Meeting on Friday. The Board agreed as more demands are added it becomes less and less feasible for the Town. It is more cost efficient for Wheaton to tie-in now (old plant) than it will be after the expansion. No further negotiating they have to make a decision now, and commit one way or the other. It's time to move on.

Mansfield Bill: The Board agreed to remove unrelated engineering and legal fees from the shared budget costs going forward. Commissioner Wiseman said he would address this in a letter to be sent with the bill for Fy-12.

Superintendent-Updates: Mr. Knapp reported typical winter work is being done, repair/replace hydrants (damaged by plows), shoveling out hydrants, replacing frozen meters. K&K should be starting the Walker Street – bridge project next week.

All appropriately processed bills were signed and correspondence was read.

Meetings; IMA – March 4, 2013 at 6:00pm

Next Board Meeting March 4, 2013 at 7:30pm. And March 19, 2013 at 6:30pm with a Public Hearing (water & sewer rate increases) at 7:00pm.

Meeting adjourned 10:15pm.