Board of Water/Sewer Commissioners 166 John Scott Blvd., Norton MA 02766 Tuesday April 8, 2014

6:30pm. Meeting called to Order. Commissioners Diane McElligott, Luke Grant present. Also present Rose Melito, Fran Yanuskiewicz, Barbara Cook and Attorney Joseph Cove.

<u>Minutes:</u> The minutes of the July 30, 2013, August 5, 2013, August 13, 2013 and March 11, 2014 Board Meetings were read, approved and signed as submitted.

Weston & Sampson: Fran discussed the warrant article language pertaining to the center sewer project and the water treatment facility proposals. Both made the SRF funding list. He asked the Board if they wanted a power point presentation prepared for the Town Meeting. The Board agreed it would be a good idea. Fran would take care of the sewer presentation. Barbara Cook discussed the figure to be inserted for the treatment facility borrowing. She presented the Board with a concept design cost estimate. After much discussion the Board agreed on the figure of \$8.9 million. Barbara reiterated the funds must be approved by June 30, 2014 or there will be no SRF funding eligibility. Barbara recommended getting a press release in the Sun Chronicle the first week of May (she would draft) and stated she would have the power point presentation ready for Town Meeting. The preliminary design contract is almost complete, she asked the Boards approval to submit the Final Design Costs-Contract. The Board agreed.

<u>Attorney Cove:</u> A copy of the IMA is on the Mansfield website. There has been a failure to address many issues in the Sewer District IMA. These include; bonding, labor, union contracts, real property assets, closing date, Fruit Street Compost Facility. I&I, and the exhibits need to be clear and consistent. Until these issues are resolved none of the Towns should be signing. The list of assets should include land, structures, equipment, vehicles, chemicals, all studies documentation, engineering, plans etc that should be transferred to the District. He is trying to get all three counsels together to finalize these issues that I (Norton) has been raising for several years but as recently as the February 13th meeting. Attorney Cove will draft the article language (article 5) regarding sewer. It must include specific language.

Attorney Cove strongly recommended that the Wheaton Contract be finalized as soon as possible. He would provide a sequence order of the process going forward.

Chairwoman McElligott requested that available dates be obtained from the Selectmen for a joint quarterly meeting as agreed to by both Boards. Agenda items to include water treatment facility updates and Sewer District Representative Nominees.

All appropriately processed bills were signed and correspondence was read.

Next Meeting Monday April 28, 2014 at 6:30pm.

Meeting adjourned 10:15pm.