

BOARD OF WATER/SEWER COMMISSIONERS

166 John Scott Blvd., Norton MA 02766

April 27, 2015

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6:30pm. Meeting called to Order. Commissioners Diane McElligott, Luke Grant and Steve Bishop present. Also present Bernie Marshall, Rose Melito, Fran Yanuskiewicz and Steve Pedersen.

Weston & Sampson Updates: Sewer: Steve Pedersen informed the Board the results of the borings for the directional drilling showed a lot of ledge and boulders and does not appear to be conducive for directional drilling. He recommended NOT to proceed with directional drilling but to investigate the possible use of an existing concrete conduit. It contained an abandoned A.C. water main. He would like authorization to investigate the inside and integrity of the conduit and to use water department staff and equipment to assist. The Board approved. As a courtesy Mr. Pedersen said he would talk to the Conservation Agent to keep her in the loop, she has been very supportive.

The draft easement has been sent to Attorney Cove who is working with Chris Yarworth.

A meeting with Wheaton College reps is scheduled for May 8th at 10:00am to do a complete site walk. (the Superintendent and Commissioners are welcome as well).

Water Treatment Plant: PAL submitting daily reports. They continue to find artifacts. Until the survey is complete we don't know if the area will be deemed a *Significant Archeologist Resource*.

18 Kilsyth Road: John Langille and Emmet and Janet DeAngelis came before the Board to dispute the quarterly water bill dated March 19, 2015. They stated their average use of water ranged between 13 and 21 units a quarter. This bill is for 70 units.

Bernie Marshall stated the owners called and questioned the bill, following protocol the office set up an appointment for a visual reading of the meter as well as to assist with leak detection information. The water technician found the reading to be accurate and the meter working properly, offered the owner dye tablets and advice on what to keep an eye on.

Mrs. DeAngelis called and said she still wasn't satisfied and insisted it had to be a faulty meter and would like to have it tested. It was explained that the meter would be removed and sent to an independent company for testing at a charge of \$50. If the meter tested accurately she would be responsible for that charge. She agreed and the meter was removed and tested. The test results showed the meter tested accurate. (copy of test results attached).

Mr. Langille said there was no way they used that amount of water. Mrs. DeAngelis said a plumber told her that the meter could have jumped a cog. Commissioner Bishop stated he has worked in the business for 30 years and never heard of such a thing. Water meters are a very tight unit with very specific gear mechanisms, they are industry specified.

Commissioner McElligott stated that the Board can only make decisions based on the facts, and the facts they have are the meter was tested and works accurately.

Mr. DeAngelis said we'll pay the bill but he wanted it on the record he was paying under protest.

Superintendent Updates: The final three applicants were interviewed and Daniel Novick was offered the position effective May 11, 2015.

Well#4 manganese levels very high, will probably have to do a Public Notice per DEP.

Water Withdrawal Permit – Talking to Boston DEP for permit renewal.

Order of Conditions for both the Water Treatment Plant and the Sewer Pump Station have been recorded at the Registry of Deeds.

Minutes: The minutes of the Board Meeting held February 18, 2014 and April 14, 2015 were read, approved and signed as submitted.

All appropriately processed bills were signed and correspondence was read.

Next meeting May 12, 2015 at 6:30pm.

Meeting adjourned 9:00pm.

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ACCEPTED AND APPROVED MINUTES FOR THE

Board Meeting Held: April 27, 2015

Respectfully submitted,

Rosemarie Melito
Office Administrator

Diane McElligott
Diane McElligott, Chairwoman

6/9/15
Date Approved

Luke Grant
Luke Grant, Clerk

06/09/15
Date Approved

Steve Bishop
Steve Bishop, Member

6-9-15
Date Approved