

**BOARD OF WATER/SEWER COMMISSIONERS**  
**166 John Scott Blvd., Norton, MA 02766**  
**January 9, 2018**

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**6:30pm. Meeting called to order.** Commissioners Luke Grant, Steve Bishop and Thomas Weir present. Also present Bernie Marshall, Rose Melito, Fran Yanuskiewicz and Barbara Cook.

**Minutes:** The minutes of November 15, 2017 and November 28, 2017 were read, approved and signed as submitted.

**Action Items:** *Rebates-* After much discussion the Board agreed to eliminate a filter rebate option and go strictly with the free water vending machine.  
*Vending Machine* – Plumbing and electrical work in progress.

**Superintendent Updates:** F.G. Sullivan submitted the lowest bids for cleaning Wells 4,5 & 6. Cleaning will start within the next two weeks.  
Snow removal around hydrants has been shared by water and fire department crews.  
Frozen pipes – mostly trailer park units.  
UniDirectional Flushing Program- follow-up meeting with Weston & Sampson 1/10/18. The end of May is the expected completion date.  
Warrant closes February 8, 2018 for the May Town Meeting – Approve articles at next meeting.

**N.E.C.C. Unit #111:** A letter from the Veterans Services Department requesting an abatement on the water/sewer bill, period ending December 4, 2017 due to a broken pipe, was reviewed. After some discussion Commissioner Bishop motioned to abate \$399.79 from the sewer portion of the bill. Commissioners Weir seconded the motion. No further discussion. All in favor:  
Steve Bishop – aye  
Thomas Weir – aye  
Luke Grant – aye  
So voted.

**Weston & Sampson Updates:** *Temporary Filtration-* Costs associated with this proposal would be approximately \$500,000.00. In addition there would also be disposal fees. The Board agreed temporary filtration costs are not feasible, by the time they were engineered, permitted and installed the treatment plant would be online within months.  
*Treatment Plant* – Bid Schedule reviewed. Depending on if there is a STM in March will determine whether Alternative-1 or Alternative-2 is used to award the bid.  
*Reservoir Street Water Project* – Amendment #1 in the amount of \$6500.00 was submitted for review. After some discussion Commissioner Bishop motioned to approve Amendment #1 in the amount of \$6500.00. Commissioner Weir seconded the motion. Further discussion; General Engineering Services line item (061-450-570-5319 ) to be utilized for payment.  
All in favor:  
Steve Bishop – aye  
Thomas Weir – aye  
Luke Grant – aye  
So voted.

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*Sewer* – Steve Pedersen will be meeting with Greg Pion and C. Naughton to review the back-up for charges to Wheaton. Steve will then meet with Wheaton and finalize their share of the extra costs.

Fran recommended that a formal I&I Report from Wheaton be requested (it should have been submitted to the town by December 31<sup>st</sup>). Bernie was directed to contact Wheaton and follow up on that request.

West Main Street Sewer Project – Financing has to be addressed. Fran said he would arrange a conference call with the Housing Authority/DHCD to discuss a firm financial commitment (with a deadline). Once that is done a meeting with the School's representatives and the Town Manager will need to be held to see if this project is financially feasible or not. If not both the Housing Authority and Schools will have to seek alternative options for their septic /sewer issues.

All appropriately processed bills were signed and correspondence was read.

Next meeting January 23, 2018 at 6:30pm.

Meeting adjourned 8:45pm.

BOARD OF WATER/SEWER COMMISSIONERS  
ACCEPTED AND APPROVED MINUTES FOR THE

Board Meeting Held: January 9, 2018

Respectfully submitted,

Rosemarie Melito  
Office Administrator

Luke Grant  
Luke Grant, Chairman

2/27/18  
Date Approved

Steve Bishop  
Steve Bishop, Clerk

2/27/18  
Date Approved

Thomas Weir  
Thomas Weir, Member

2/27/18  
Date Approved