

BOARD OF WATER/SEWER COMMISSIONERS
166 John Scott Blvd., Norton, MA
Tuesday June 14, 2011

6:30pm. Meeting opened. Commissioners Diane McElligott, Luke Grant and Steve Wiseman present. Also present, Duane Knapp, Rose Melito, Attorney Joe Cove and Fran Yanuskiewicz.

Norton Glen-Update: Fran informed the Board he received a proposed draft design from DiPriete Engineering. It is a low pressure design with a three inch line tying into a four inch line. It's a good design, the basics are covered. He sent an email with his comments. This project did not require a sewer extension permit, but they applied for one anyway. The DEP had a negative response. DiPriete Engineering must now abide by the DEP requirements.

Kimball Easement: The appraisal done on 55 Pine Street was discussed. Attorney Cove recommended that the Board send a letter simply stating the offer of the appraised value as complete and full payment. Luke Grant motioned that a letter be sent to the Kimballs' offering the appraised value of \$14,000.00 as complete and full payment for the water easement on 55 Pine Street. Steve Wiseman seconded the motion. No further discussion. All in favor:

Luke Grant – aye

Steve Wiseman – aye

Diane McElligott – aye

So voted.

IMA – UPDATE: Chairwoman McElligott stated that Bill Euarle a representative from Foxboro spoke out at the meeting stating "Norton has been consistent with the \$200,000.00 figure when talking PILOT Fees, this is not anything new". It was determined this amount reflects about a 2-3% budget impact. Mansfield representatives voiced their concerns over Wheaton. It was made clear that Wheaton is Norton's customer and will not be discussed. Norton will not have any further discussions with Wheaton until PILOT Fees, and other issues within the IMA are settled and agreed upon. Norton Selectmen are 100% in full support of Norton's Water/Sewer Commissioners.

An email from Mike Yunits to Lauren Goldberg of Kopleman & Paige dated June 6th and her response dated June 8th regarding PILOT Fees was read. A discussion then took place on the use of the word PILOT with regard to the IMA and how it may be a misnomer. To avoid future misunderstandings of the word maybe the IMA group should refer to it as; Norton Equity Calculation; Norton Equitable Adjustment; Norton Reception Fee. It may be worth discussing at a future IMA meeting.

Next IMA meetings: July 7th and July 14th.

Attorney Cove informed the Board that he and Attorney Lou Ross are preparing a Draft Agreement on the Reilly property. Key issues the Town will request include full disclosure of beneficiaries, signatories to releases and signatories to Agreement.

Mr. Knapp informed the Board the Mansfield Avenue water main replacement project is scheduled to begin Monday June 20th. It is a sixty day contract for completion. Commissioner Grant asked if all permits were in place. Mr. Knapp replied yes we're all set to go.

Mr. Knapp informed the Board that the phone service should be completed by next week at which time the office staff will completely vacate the old building and everything will be relocated here at 166 John Scott Blvd. The Building Inspector said he would issue a temporary Occupancy Permit.

Sewer Odors and Wastewater Traps: A copy of the letter dated June 1st to Ray Walker, Plumbing Inspector was given to the Board for review. Mr. Knapp stated this letter has gone unanswered. He said he spoke at length to the Town Manager filling him in on the odor issues and past discussions of possible sewer bill credits for those who install wastewater traps. He is in full support. Commissioner Wiseman made a motion to adopt a policy allowing up to a \$200.00 credit on sewer bills for the purchase and proper installation of a wastewater trap to be credited after required inspections are completed. This credit will only be offered and available for a two year period. Commissioner Grant seconded the motion. No further discussion. All in favor:
Steve Wiseman- aye
Luke Grant – aye
Diane McElligott – aye
So voted.

Habitat Housing: The Board approved the water and sewer service to be installed by town employees on town time (it was previously stated employees would be donating their time). Commissioner Steve Wiseman donated the copper. Dorrance Contracting provided the trench work.

All appropriately processed bills were signed.

Next meeting Monday June 20, 2011 at 6:30pm. At Water Department Office

Meeting adjourned 11:00pm.