

**BOARD OF WATER/SEWER COMMISSIONERS
166 JOHN SCOTT BLVD., NORTON, MA 02766
WEDNESDAY JULY 27, 2011 - MINUTES**

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

Minutes: The minutes of the June 14th and June 20, 2011 Board Meetings were read, approved and signed as submitted.

Jeff O'Neill: A representative of Condyne came before the Board to discuss a possible new tenant in the Norton Industrial Park. He stated a uniform and linen business is interested in the site and he's here to discuss whether or not water and sewer are available. He outlined the proposed project on a map showing where existing water mains are located and stating current sewer allocation for the industrial park is part of an existing agreement with the City of Taunton. However the remaining amount of sewer is not enough to accommodate this tenant and so they're looking to the Town of Norton as an option. He explained the company Crowne Cleaners has two locations, one in South Boston and one in Fall River, they're looking to consolidate to one location in Norton. Start up would require 100,000g/p/d water and 80,000g/p/d sewer with an expected expansion to reach 150,000g/p/d water and 120,000g/p/d sewer (three to five years down the road). It would be about a twelve month time frame once construction starts. Eight months for construction and a few months to install machinery and new technology. The new state of the art technology will also reduce water and sewer use by about 70%. The Board stated water quantity is not an issue, sewer is allotted on a first come first serve basis. A 70% reduction would mean an allotment of 56,000g/p/d of sewer. At this point in time it is available. Sewer fees were discussed. Mr. O'Neill stated \$30/gallon would definitely be a deal breaker for this company. It was explained how \$20/gallon can be approved if the installation of sewer main benefits the Town and allows for future tie-ins. Mr. O'Neill thanked the Board for their time and information and said he would take this information to his client and would be in touch.

IMA-Update: Chairwoman McElligott stated she intended to make the following requests at the next IMA meeting:

- The meetings need to be more controlled with less input from non voting members
- The meetings need to remain on topic with resolutions before moving on to the next topic
- Norton will stand firm on the \$200,000 PILOT FEE unless there is a reasonable alternative

In addition to this there needs to be more communication including regular meetings with the Selectmen and Town Manager.

Old Business:

- Response to Campanelli's letter regarding sewer allocation fees: Mr. Knapp stated the Town Manager is following up on that with K&P.
- Response to the letter- Kimball Easement offer: Mr. Knapp stated no response at this time.

- Running Traps: Commissioner Wiseman spoke to the Chief Inspector of the State and the traps ARE not allowed. The Board agreed to approve the installation of backwater valves, to be installed ten feet from outside the dwelling. This is covered under Section F-9 of the Sewer Regulations.

- Red Mill Village Force Main(Newland St.) Confirmatory Agreement: Mr. Knapp was directed to contact Attorney Cove and follow up.

- Mr. Knapp stated that according to the DEP we have the right to charge sprinkler fees. He Recommended that the past sprinkler fees for Red Mill be waived in lieu of the water main upgrades as well as a number of other projects they performed for the Department including the Reservoir Bedroom Count Study. The Board agreed to get a legal opinion.

- Mansfield Avenue Water Main Project: Mr. Knapp stated the main installation is complete, its been flushed, it needs to be pressure tested and chlorinated. Conservation is happy, all permits are in place. Finish deadline is August 10, 2011.

- Bay Road: Mr. Knapp informed the Board the break was at the bridge and the valves on either side were shut down. He explained to the Town Manager this is an emergency repair and if not done in a timely manner could become a health issue. The repair is being done by K.R. Rezendes as a change order (pending K&P opinion). The directional drilling will be the costly part of the repair. The conservation agent assisted with the permits so they're all set. We need to replace the entire water line in the near future but right now we're focusing on the emergency repair.
- The Olympia St. water line upgrade is complete except for blacktop.
- As of July 14th Chris Perry is the new water department employee replacing Vincent Melito.
- 157 Mansfield Ave. Mobile Home Park is moving forward to replace their water main.
- There has been no (new) info on the high school permit fees.
- Demolition of Center Tank; Still waiting for two antennae's to be removed.

All appropriately processed bills were signed and correspondence was read.

Next meeting Tuesday, August 9, 2011 at 6:30pm

Meeting adjourned 10:30pm