

BOARD OF WATER/SEWER COMMISSIONERS  
166 John Scott Blvd, Norton, MA 02766  
Tuesday November 29, 2011

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

**Minutes:** The minutes of the September 1<sup>st</sup>, September 8<sup>th</sup> and November 8<sup>th</sup> 2011 meetings were read, approved and signed as submitted.

The Board was informed Mark Abrahams is requesting an update as well as some direction in going forward. The Board agreed to ask him to the next meeting.

**Attorney Cove – Update:** Dave Eastridge emailed Joe two weeks ago acknowledging receipt of the proposed agreements, stating he would review with his people and respond. Joe asked about communications with the Glen. The design plan is to include replacing existing pumps at the RedMill station, that should alleviate any concerns Thorndike or the Trustees might have with the Glen tie-in.

Joe was asked to send an informal notice to R.I. Homes or their Counsel referencing the implications of a delay; End of year (deadline) language in the executed agreement, payment, request a construction schedule, and a letter from the engineer outlining their responsibilities as previously discussed.

Joe also stated he would request a meeting with Dave Eastridge, Llyod Geisinger, Fran and Duane regarding the execution of the two separate agreements; transfer of force main and the release of sprinkler fees.

Duane was asked about his contact with Wheaton. He informed the Board that after learning the Town Manager and several Selectmen met with Wheaton he thought it best to wait and discuss it further with the Board.

Joe stated he would contact Attorney Manoogian and plan a January meeting. Costs and info should be available by then.

**IMA – Update:** It was voted to pass the draft on to respective Town Managers for review and for them to forward it to respective Town Counsels. Commissioner McElligott directed Mr. Knapp to talk to Mike Yunits and advise him that the draft will be coming by the end of this week and that it should be forwarded to Attorney Joe Cove **NOT** Kopelman & Paige.

Joe stressed again Town Meeting vote (all three towns) should be for ratification only.

Sewer Alternatives: Taunton has availability. Follow up meeting with officials to discuss costs.

Mr. Knapp informed the Board that there were four bids submitted for the tank demolition. The price range was \$40,400 to \$162,012. The lowest bid came out of Romeo, Michigan. The engineer will be reviewing the bids and checking references then forward his recommendation.

The Board was asked to review and approve the contract with Weston & Sampson for the Pilot Testing Iron and Manganese Removal for Wells 4, 5 and 6. The contract consists of two phases. Phase I costing \$10,000.00 and Phase II costing \$39,800.00 for a total of \$49,800.00. Fran explained Phase I should begin as soon as possible this will address the Selectmen's concern over discolored water. Phase II can be done later in the spring and give the Board the time it needs to go before town meeting and request the funds be transferred. The Board agreed and approved Phase I in the amount of \$10,000.00.

Commissioner Grant directed Mr. Knapp to contact Yarworth Engineering and get the as-built signed off on the septic system and to meet with Jennifer and get Conservation's final sign off then contact the building inspector and get the permanent occupancy permit.

Thursday December 8, 2011 at 7:00pm – Meeting with the Selectmen at their Board Meeting.

All appropriately processed bills were signed and correspondence was read.

Next meeting: Thursday December 15, 2011 at 6:30pm

Meeting adjourned 9:50pm.