

BOARD OF WATER/SEWER COMMISSIONERS
166 John Scott Blvd., Norton, MA 02766
Wednesday May 29, 2013

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

Attorney Illana Quirk: of Kopelman and Paige informed the Board she was at this meeting on behalf of the Zoning Board to follow up where Thorndike Developers' project - 274 East Main Street is at this point regarding water and sewer issues. The Board explained Thorndike's last proposal for water included upgrades to the current water system and so water permit fees are being negotiated. The sewer proposal they are presenting that includes a holding tank is not standard design (in the Board's opinion) and is still an issue being discussed. Thorndike is on the agenda this evening at 8:00pm. Attorney Quirk stated she would return to the meeting at that time.

6:45pm Commissioner Moitoza joined the meeting.

Minutes: The minutes of the May 14, 2013, Regular and Executive Session meetings were read approved and signed as submitted.

Chairwoman's Business: The Board was informed of a purchase order requested by the previous superintendent for design services in the amount of \$192,000.00. That purchase order request has been retracted and Mr. Marshall was asked to contact Carl Crawford of Otter Creek Engineering to get specific details regarding this design work. Going forward all water main projects will be discussed and approved by the Board before engaging in engineering services. Commissioner McElligott tabled further business at this time and moved to the next agenda item- Thorndike Developers.

Thorndike Developers- 274 East Main Street: Present were Lloyd Geisinger, David Eastridge and Dave Kelley. Mr. Kelley gave the overview of the water design proposal that showed replacement of the existing ac pipe with 12" ductile iron pipe (approximately 2800ft) from Leonard Street to the entrance of Red Mill Village. The domestic lines will require a four inch service.

The sewer proposal included a 23,000 gallon holding tank and 15 h.p. pumps that would pump for approximately two hours during the night time off peak hours. The sewer main would exit the development and continue within the property along East Main Street to the cemetery then in East Main Street to Newland Street where it would tie into the force main.

Abutters voiced their concerns about pump noise, odor and the possibility of the holding tank leaking. After further discussion Commissioner Grant stated the existing sewer main in Newland Street is adequate for the flow we have now it is not adequate for doubling the existing flow and suggested Thorndike install a 6 inch sewer line to Newland Street, replace that existing line with a 6 inch line and that solves Thorndike's flow as well as future flows. Mr. Geisinger asked for a five minute break.

Mr. Geisinger stated he is willing to propose installing a dedicated 6 inch sewer force main down East Main Street and up Newland Street (beside the existing sewer main) to the gravity sewer line on Kingsley Road. He then asked to discuss the water fees before going any further. In lieu of the water main upgrade he requested all water fees be waived. After further discussion Commissioner Grant motioned to approve the following terms;

- 1) Install a 12" water main approximately 2800 feet from Leonard St. to the entrance of Red Mill Village as shown on the Kelley Engineering Plan dated 5-29-13, tying in all existing customers and cross connections along the way.
- 2) Install a dedicated 6" sewer force main down East Main and up Newland to Kingsley Road.
- 3) Sewer main on property frontage to the Cemetery will have an easement to the Town for future access.
- 4) Standard Design – Sewer Pump Station TR-16, no additional storage.
- 5) A \$4,000.00 retainer for engineering review. Engineer to be paid in full prior to any construction.
- 6) Adherence to all water and sewer rules and regulations.
- 7) Waive water permit and sprinkler fees.

Subject to approved language and signing of final Memorandum of Understanding drafted by Town Counsel. Commissioner Moitoza seconded the motion. No further discussion. All in favor:
Luke Grant – aye
Chuck Moitoza – aye
Diane McElligott – aye
So voted.

Mr. Geisinger thanked the Board and Attorney Quirk for their time.

Weston & Sampson Updates: The IMA is in good shape things should be wrapped up soon, still needs some clarification language on some issues. The next IMA meeting is June 3rd. Informed the Board the Executive Office of Energy & Environmental Affairs is who controls Article 97 issues. Now we need to find out how to reverse the "mistake".

Superintendent Updates: Copies of AT&T's RFP were given to each Commissioner for their review and comment by the next meeting.

Oak Street project progressing approximately 12 services left.

Repaired an iron service leak on Cross street with the assistance of the Highway Dept.

Mr. Kimball requested that an irrigation system be allowed at the Trent Memorial site. Mr.

Marshall's opinion was to deny the request based on current rules and regulations. He felt it was poor practice to start picking and choosing who will be allowed to water and who won't. The Board agreed and supported his decision.

Employee staffing issues are still being sorted out.

Wells 4 & 6 are scheduled to be cleaned starting next week.

Answered DEP's SRF funding notification stating Norton will reapply for the next round.

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All appropriately processed bills were signed and correspondence was read.

Next meeting Tuesday June 11, 2013 at 6:30pm.

Meeting adjourned 11:05pm.