

BOARD OF WATER COMMISSIONERS' MEETING

MAY 9, 2011

5:30 P.M.

MEMBERS PRESENT: Jack Caten, Niles Busler and Fran McNamara.

GUESTS PRESENT: Supt. Paul Rafuse, James Blanchard, Anne Foresman, Teri King, Jeff Whelan, Gary Amadon, Ed Amadon, Shirley Camber and Jean Dinon- clerk.

Jack opened the meeting at 5:35 p.m. This meeting is being audiotaped.

DECISION: The Board voted unanimously to leave the Board as is.

NEW BUSINESS:

1. James Blanchard said passed exam and wasn't passed at town meeting. The Board is going to make it retroactive.

2. Jean reported to abate the following accounts:

DECISION: The Board voted unanimously to abate the following accounts:

Raymond & Donna Robinson, 16 Adams Road, \$75.00 FY11

Sheila Stuart, 40 Brookline Street, \$153.00 FY11 and \$2.15 late charge

Richard Lamarre, 6 Alyssa Drive, \$60.00 FY11

Rosemary Salem, 47 Brookline Street, \$75.00 FY11

Patrick Christmen, 8 West Elm Street, \$75.00 FY11 and \$.79 late charge

National Water Main Cleaning Company, \$210.00 service charge

Rollstone Savings Bank, 46 Edward Road, \$50.00 FY11

Ken Tully, 56 Brookline Road, \$75.00 FY11 and \$2.98 late charge

3. Jean reported 1st shut-off list.

4. Jeff Whelan, 8 Proctor Road, re: high bill due to leak. The water line is plastic and then turns to copper. There is a meter pit there. There was no loss of pressure. Jeff left it uncovered for five days to make sure everything was alright. Paul is going to send out a notice that they are responsible.

DECISION: The Board voted unanimously to adjust \$1,125.00 to \$375.00 (\$750.00 and \$19.85) and \$75.00 for total bill of \$450.00 for Jeff Whelan, 8 Proctor Road.

5. Teri King, 66 West Elm Street and Shirley Camber, 70 West Elm Street re: water pressure on West Elm Street. Shirley asked when getting new main on West Elm Street. Paul said there has always been problem on West Elm Street. There is 6" cast iron pipe. Shirley has 30# without fire flow. Teri has even less pressure.

6. Paul discussed/reviewed camera inspection and cleaning of well at Witch's Brook well 1. Paul said will be between \$10,000 and \$12,000. They are going to clean it with acid. **Paul will get more quotes.**

7. Paul discussed/reviewed replacement of dump body on dump truck. Jack said to tell him we have signed contract. Paul took it down to Madigan today. The same body would be \$5,150 to replace body, and **Paul will get quote to repair body.** Truck only has 34,000 miles. **It was tabled for warrant signing.**

8. Paul discussed/reviewed cost to install Tideflex tank mixing system. Paul is meeting with Tideflex to get quote. There is \$10,000 added on to quote for installation. Fran said to do Highland Street tank and Fitchburg Road tank when they needed to be painted.

9. Paul discussed/reviewed purchase and installation of Sensus drive by radio read system. Paul would like to start getting touch couplers. It is going to work with existing meters and system. It will cut down on labor and man hours. Paul said he would like to buy 400-500 per year. It will take about \$75,000. Niles asked what's life of radioread. Niles asked if we can lease.

10. Jean reported appropriation balance report for March and April.

11. Jean reported intermunicipal agreement.

OLD BUSINESS:

1. Jean reported Nexcheck fees so can establish a website for payments beginning July, 2011. **It was tabled.**

2. Anne Foresman, 11 Wheeler Road, re: extension of water line. Fran asked size of line; it's going to be 8". Paul said she would have to install a booster pump. Mrs. Foresman can get easement from Amadons so can get water to Mrs. Foresman. Fran said to run line to Mrs. Foresman and will have booster pump in her house. Paul said we cannot provide water legally. There will be 2" line. It can be done anytime.

3. Paul discussed/reviewed amended budget as voted on at annual town meeting.

The warrant signing is Monday, May 23, 2011 and Monday, June 27, 2011.

The next scheduled meeting is Monday, July 13, 2011.

The meeting was adjourned at 8:24 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Jean R. Dinon, Clerk

