

Foxboro Board of Water and Sewer Commissioners

Open Meeting Minutes

October 31, 2017

Members in Attendance: Mike Stanton, Chairman; and Robert Garber, Secretary

Members Absent: Richard Pacella, Vice-Chairman

Others in Attendance: Roger Hill, DPW Director; Bob Worthley, Superintendent

The meeting was called to order at 7:00 p.m. by Chairman Stanton.

Review/Approve Agreement for Marketing and Management of Outdoor Advertising Resources

The draft agreement was reviewed by the Board. M. Stanton suggested that the language be tightened up regarding the division of revenue, as the draft lacked clarity. He wanted to be certain that the agreement left no ambiguity. Roger Hill will also speak with Randy Scollins to be certain the terms for collection of revenue coordinate with the Town's Fiscal Year requirements. M. Stanton also wanted the language to clearly reflect that the repair and maintenance be done by the Kraft Organization, as has already been established through past agreements. Roger Hill will speak with Steve Madaus to finalize the agreement.

Market Street Sewer Update

The contractor ran into ledge on Market Street, which will require some blasting. This has delayed the project about 10 days. After blasting takes place, the pipe will be installed. The rest of the project is expected to go smoothly and be completed this year.

Wyman Village Betterments

The Order of Estimated Sewer Betterments was approved at the Board's last meeting, and presented to Board members for their signature.

M. Stanton wanted to know which department will eventually be administering the collection of the betterments. R. Garber questioned the number of year for which the betterment could be financed. The betterment could be paid for over the course of 20 years, with an interest rate of approximately 3%. R. Garber suggested that the number of years be reduced, considering the relatively low overall cost.

Vote on Ending Seasonal Watering Restrictions

M. Stanton motioned to end the Seasonal Watering Restrictions. R. Garber seconded the motion. The motion passed by a 2:0 vote.

Action Items

R. Garber voted to accept a Sewer Permit Transfer of Ownership for the property at 13 Pleasant Street. M. Stanton seconded the motion. The motion passed by a 2:0 vote.

Superintendent's Report

B. Worthley noted that the VFW in East Foxborough has expressed interest in connecting to the sewer system, but wondered if there was a discount for veterans' groups. M. Stanton stated that there was not.

M. Stanton asked for the status of the valve exercise program. B. Worthley said that the program is expected to resume soon.

M. Stanton asked for an update on the hydraulic model. B. Worthley said that, although he has contacted the contractor several times, the Town's GIS model and Bob Bell's model have yet to be combined to create an updated version of the model.

Water services on Beach Street were located in preparation for a bid for the relining of the pipe. All but fifteen of the services and several hydrants on the street are connected to the older, smaller main on Beach Street. This will actually increase the efficiency of the project in the spring. The larger, newer main can be relined with minimal disruption. Afterwards, all of the services on Beach Street will be connected to this main, and the older main will be abandoned in place.

M. Stanton expressed his support for a reclassification of the personnel in the Water Department. He would like the Table of Organization to reflect the hierarchy and duties of the employees in the department. Particular clarity is needed for the roles of the Assistant Superintendent, the projected new Treatment Plant Operator and the Supervisors' roles. He noted that he would be happy to discuss this with the Town's Administration if they require any additional information.

M. Stanton would like to see the discussed purchase of flow agreement with Cannon Forge executed as soon as possible.

Upon motion duly made by Robert Garber and seconded by Michael Stanton, it was voted to adjourn at 7:42 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,

Eileen E. Hurley

These minutes of October 31, 2017 were approved on December 5, 2017



Robert T. Garber, Clerk