

**Minutes  
Of  
The Foxboro Water and Sewer Commissioners  
December 16, 2013**

Members in Attendance: Chairman M. Stanton, Vice Chairman R. Pacella, Clerk B. Garber, Water Superintendent R. Worthley, DPW Superintendent R. Hill, Town Engineer B. Swanson

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

In regards to the Outdoor Advertising matter, there was a hearing last Thursday before the Office of Outdoor Advertising. They will now take the matter under advisement. They did visit the site with an engineer who measured and found that the billboards are located outside of the Economic Overlay District. The requirements are that they cannot be within five hundred feet of a structure but need to be within 500 feet of a business development. The Board will request plans from Bay Colony showing that the billboards are within the EOD. Representative Barrows will also be sending a letter of support. Atty. Hoffman will be asked to get a timeframe on when a decision could be expected.

The minutes of December 2<sup>nd</sup> and December 9<sup>th</sup> were reviewed.

A motion to approve payment to Mirick O'Connell for work on the IMA and the trailer park contract in the amount of \$1,020 was approved 3-0.

A motion to have the bill coded into separate accounts was also approved 3-0.

A motion to approve payment to Deutche Williams for work on the Outdoor Advertising application in the amount of \$844 was approved 3-0.

A request for abatement has been received from Steve Mordini for water bills dating back to 2011. He claims that the bills were never received so they weren't paid. He now has a large interest amount due on the account. This matter will be looked into before any action is taken.

Mr. Hill and Acting Town Manager Cutler met with Mansfield officials last week in regards to the IMA. They would like Atty. Madaus to review the documents for them. The Board approved this as a courtesy to the IMA but limit the amount to \$3,000.

Mr. Pacella stated that Mansfield officials have asked representatives from Norton and Foxboro to attend their May Town Meeting which will be voting on the IMA. The goal is to have everything in place for July, 2014; this would include appointing a Board which would include two members from Foxboro. The IMA Board members would not need to be members of the BWSC. The three towns Finance Directors and Town Managers will be meeting to discuss the financial plan for the IMA.

An article will be needed for the Spring Town Meeting to fund the project; the amount will be paid back by the enterprise account in the future.

Board meetings were scheduled for January 6<sup>th</sup>, January 13<sup>th</sup>, January 21<sup>st</sup> and January 27<sup>th</sup> as well as Monday's in February and March.

Mr. Worthley reported that there were two breaks on Barton Road recently in the cement asbestos pipe there. One was fixed and then there was another break a few days later. This cost the department \$5,000 to fix those breaks. CIP funds are needed to repair the pipes in this area.

The Board met with Karen Johnson and Marty Mazzella of the Utility Service Group in regards to water tank management. There was a senate bill which was passed recently which allows towns to pay for tank maintenance over time.

The Hill Street tank is due for a renovation. Their company would charge a fee which would spread the cost of the rehab over three years instead of having it due all at once. Afterwards they would charge an annual fee of \$32,000 - \$35,000 per year based on the size of the tank.

Ms. Johnson and Mr. Mazzella explained the program and the timeline to the Board. They would use cement tmemec products to coat the tank.

The Board asked about the company, they have annual sales of \$120 million and the parent company is Suez Environmental. They have approximately 5,000 contracts in place for water tanks and have been in business since 1849. They are a multi-national company with financial stability.

Their program would involve an overcoat on the tank on a pro-active schedule so no blasting or repainting would be needed. The annual fee would also go towards inspections, engineering, any emergency services needed and the cost of the next rehab of the tank.

Their program takes the risk management away from the town; they would also prepare the annual report and submit it to the Superintendent.

If the Board would like to go in this direction, an RFP would be needed. The Board will review the information given to them this evening.

Mr. Worthley noted that the Hill Street tank is about ten years overdue for maintenance as there is no maintenance program right now.

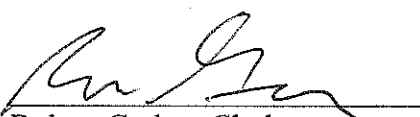
The meeting was adjourned at 8:50 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,

Diana Gray

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These minutes of December 16, 2013 were approved on January 6, 2014

  
Robert Garber, Clerk