

## Town of Walpole Commonwealth of Massachusetts

# Board of Sewer and Water Commissioners

John Hasenjaeger, Chair Pradeep Mishra, Clerk William Abbott, Member Patrick Fasanello, Member Jeffrey Fisher, Member

## **Meeting Minutes**

Monday, February 13, 2023 6:30 P.M. 1303 Washington Street E.J. Delaney Treatment Plant

A regular meeting of the Board of Sewer & Water Commissioners was held on Monday, February 13, 2023 at the E.J. Delaney Treatment Plant, 1303 Washington Street. The meeting is called to order by Board Chair John Hasenjaeger at 6:30 p.m.

Present at the Meeting:

#### **Sewer and Water Commissioners:**

John Hasenjaeger, William Abbott, Patrick Fasanello, Pradeep Mishra, Jeffrey Fisher

## **Other Participants:**

Scott Gustafson, Sewer and Water Superintendent

## **<u>Abatements:</u>** (to be delivered for vote)

1. 40 Broad St – Mr. Gustafson explains that this issue is a catch-up issue. Homeowner was difficult to get in touch with.

*Motion made* by Mr. Abbott *Seconded* by Mr. Fisher to approve Abatement for 40 Broad St. *4-0-1* (*YES VOTE*)

Roll call John Hasenjaeger-Yes, William Abbott-Yes, Jeffrey Fisher-Yes, Pradeep Mishra-Yes, Patrick Fasanello-Abstain

#### **Policy Review:**

1. 128 Endean Drive-Invoice dispute letter from resident

Mr. Abbott states he has concern with the reliability of the mtu's. Suggests replacing them on a regular bases after 9 years, etc.

*Motion made* by Mr. Mishra *Seconded* by Mr. Abbott to generate actual bill after mtu transmitters are replaced within 10 business days.

5-0-0 (YES VOTE)

Roll call John Hasenjaeger-Yes, William Abbott-Yes, Jeffrey Fisher-Yes, Pradeep Mishra-Yes, Patrick Fasanello-Yes

2. 36 Millbrook Ave-Sewer abatement request for 2 rink fill issues from resident Discussion had with regard to request for abatement.

*Motion made* by Mr. Abbott *Seconded* by Mr. Fasanello to follow the standard practice and abate the water that did not go into the sewer.

4-0-1 (YES VOTE)

Roll call John Hasenjaeger-Yes, William Abbott-Yes, Jeffrey Fisher-Yes, Pradeep Mishra-Abstain, Patrick Fasanello-Yes

3. 61 Wagon Road-Request for bill consideration from resident

Mr. Abbott points out that after the irrigation was shut down on 10/31, consumption went down to normal. Discussion had with regard to abating the water that did not go into the sewer.

*Motion made* by Mr. Abbott *Seconded* by Mr. Fisher, to follow the standard practice and abate the water that did not go into the sewer.

5-0-0 (YES VOTE)

Roll call John Hasenjaeger-Yes, William Abbott-Yes, Jeffrey Fisher-Yes, Pradeep Mishra-Yes, Patrick Fasanello-Yes

4. 255 Union Street-Letter from Resident re: FY23 Fire Suppression Charge

Mr. Abbott discusses his concern that the town went with a fixed flat rate. Mr. Fasanello explains he thinks that it seems fair. Mr. Hasenjaeger doesn't agree with fee.

*Motion made* by Mr. Abbott *Seconded* by Mr. Fisher to reach out to the individual who brought this up, to come to the Rate Hearing in June to give presentation.

5-0-0 (YES VOTE)

Roll call John Hasenjaeger-Yes, William Abbott-Yes, Jeffrey Fisher-Yes, Pradeep Mishra-Yes, Patrick Fasanello-Yes

## **Superintendents Status Report:**

The June St water main was installed and disinfected. Results have come back and the services have been switched over to the new water main. Construction to be resumed in spring to finish everything off. The cold weather had an impact on the operation. Some frozen meters and the telemetry at the central storage tanks had to be unfrozen. Water main breaks – Main St past Crisp, Country Club Dr and David Cir. Waste basin construction has begun.

## **Correspondence:**

- 1. Memos from Bill Abbott dated 1/10/23 & 2/7/23 re: FY23 revenue numbers Read and noted.
- 2. Memo from Bill Abbott dated 2/7/23 re: water production current vs. prior years Read and noted.
  - 3. Memo from Richard Mattson, DPW Director dated 1/5/23 re: cleaning, redeveloping and acidization of ground wells-contract #2023-6

Mr. Fasanello suggests that contracts coming into the town should also come to the Water and Sewer Board so that they can provide their comments.

4. Memo from Town Administrator, James Johnson re: Supplemental Water Source Investigation Update

Mr. Fasanello requests that the Town of Norwood be contacted and be invited to next meeting to discuss their strategy. Mr. Hasenjaeger suggests that we get the application into the MWRA sooner rather than later.

## **Comment Requests: (All Plans will be available for review)**

- 1. Memo dated 1/25/23 from Planning Board re: Off Warwick Road-Definitive 2 Lot Subdivision Mr. Hasenjaeger points out that the plans show a 4 lot subdivision.
  - 2. Memo dated 1/25/23 from Planning Board re: Freiberger-Bruin Court-965 West Street-Definitive Subdivision

*Motion made* by Mr. Abbott *Seconded* by Mr. Fasanello of no action because the proposed development is going to have private water and private sewer.

## 4-0-1 (YES VOTE)

Roll call John Hasenjaeger-Abstain, William Abbott-Yes, Jeffrey Fisher-Yes, Pradeep Mishra-Yes, Patrick Fasanello-Yes

3. Memo dated 2/6/23 from Planning Board re: Bristol Brothers-Renmar Ave & West St. Read and noted.

## **Discussion:**

1. Jarvis Farm

Mr. Fasanello discusses his concern with the nice weather coming, people are going to want to use it as a parking lot. Ask for an update at next meeting.

2. Meter to Cash Report

Discussion had regarding the technology of the KP system.

3. Meeting Date for North Walpole Residents interest in sewer connection Discussion had regarding inviting residents to meeting to show interest in connecting to sewer.

*Motion made* by Mr. Fasanello *Seconded* by Mr. Fisher to adjourn at 7:44pm