

March 27, 2017

A regular meeting of the Board of Sewer & Water Commissioners was held on Monday, March 27, 2017 at 7:00 p.m. at the Edward J. Delaney Water Treatment Facility, 1303 Washington St.

Present: Roger Turner, John Spillane, Patrick Fasanello and William Abbott. Also, Rick Mattson, Supt. of Sewer and Water. Absent: Tom Brown.

All abatements submitted tonight are reviewed and signed.

Motion Made by William Abbott to accept the minutes of February 27, 2017 with recommended amendment. Second by John Spillane. Vote 4-0-0.

Motion Made by William Abbott to accept the minutes of March 13, 2017. Second by John Spillane. Vote 4-0-0.

SUPERINTENDENT'S STATUS REPORT

Mr. Mattson says not much has changed since we last met and there is not a lot to report. His crew is inspecting hydrant as he was notified by the manufacturer that some may be defective. His staff will find them and the manufacturer will have to come out to fix them. He is asked what the problem is and he says the operating shaft may dislodge.

CONCOM COMMENT REQUEST – REVISED NOI – 48 BURNS AVE

This is a conservation issue with no concern of this Board and is read and noted.

CONCOM COMMENT REQUEST- REVISED NOI – 50 SOUTH ST., SENIOR CTR

This is also a conservation issue and is read and noted.

TOWN COUNSEL'S SUGGESTED REGULATION RE: INFLOW AND INFILTRATION

Mr. Mattson explains that these two documents are from Town Counsel, the first is a regulation for sewer privilege fees related to inflow and infiltration. He explains that because there are not a lot of gallons identified at this time and the developer is required to remove a certain amount of gallons. The other document is a contract for surety to guarantee that when their sewer extension permit is issued that they will still need to perform inflow and infiltration. There is discussion on the contract and a few minor adjustments are made to the contract. It is confirmed that one of the amendments is that any construction of 2 or more residential units or homes will be required to perform I/I. Mr. Fasanello talks about how the drains sometimes affect our sewer system and suggests looking into seeing if some of the I/I money can be used to repair drains. Mr. Spillane asks how gallons of a condominium would be determined and Mr. Mattson responds residential units and number of bedrooms. Mr. Mattson says the intention of the surety is so that we are not holding up the developer from getting their building permits. It is a mechanism to ensure that they make good in I/I and the bond would be in effect until the obligation is met. Mr. Abbott asks what would happen if the corporation dissolved or cease to exist. Mr. Mattson responds that this is the purpose of the bond. He also would like to make it clear the entrance fees are separate from the inflow and infiltration fees. **Motion Made** by William Abbott to adopt the regulations regarding inflow and infiltration and the contract provided by Town Counsel with the amendments discussed which would be that these would apply to 2 or more units and using the fee schedule and ratio of this Commission that is in place at the time. Second by John Spillane. Vote 4-0-0.

COMMENTS FROM SUPERINTENDENT RE: 95 WEST ST. FOR BOARD APPROVAL

Mr. Mattson explains that this is a memo he wrote with his requirements for this site plan and is asking that the Board approve it so he can provide it to the Planning Board. There is some discussion and the Board has no problem with this letter.

REVISED DEVELOPMENT REQUIREMENTS

Mr. Mattson asks that that the Board review and comment on this document and recommends that it become a policy for anyone building 2 or more homes or will discharge more 880 gpd of sewer. When the Development Impact Statement is provided it will show these numbers. He feels this is a starting point for the future.

SATM ZONING ARTICLE – PUBLIC HEARING NOTICE

This is read and noted.

TOWN ADMINISTRATOR'S LETTER TO THE TOWN OF SHARON RE: REZONING

It is explained that Mr. Mattson, Mr. Abbott and our Town Counsel attended the Public Hearing regarding this article. They were allowed to convey their concerns. A letter has been sent to the DEP expressing the concerns with regard to the rezoning and how it would affect our aquifer area. This was kicked to the Boston DEP. Mr. Mattson was told that there is not a lot that we can do because it is in another community but they will be sending a letter to Sharon without mentioning Walpole. The hearing was continued to next Thursday however we were told there is no need to attend as they plan to re-write the original

Mr. Fasanella speaks about buying water from the MWRA. He explains about buying the right and how Quabbin is exempt from the Water Management Permit. There is discussion and Mr. Mattson says the other option is to build Mine Brook 4. Mr. Fasanella asks what it would cost and he is told about \$4 million and it would be questionable if it could get permitted. Mr. Mattson says they may allow us to build but not use.

Motion Made by Patrick Fasanella to adjourn. Second by John Spillane. Vote 4-0-0. Meeting adjourned at 8:45 p.m.

Accepted April 24, 2017