

Water/Wastewater Commissioners'
Meeting Minutes
August 17, 2010

Present: Robert E. Courage, Chairman
Michael E. Putnam, Vice-Chairman
Dale A. White, Member
David Boucher
Evelyn Gendron

Call to Order:

Chairman Courage called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m.

Appointments:

The Board of Commissioners welcomed Mr. Rene LaBranche, Stantec Consulting Senior Associate, Mr. Wilbur Horton, Stantec Consulting Project Engineer, and Mr. David Howard of Piquette and Howard Electric Service, Inc., present this evening so that all parties involved may provide history and direction for the technical needs of the Curtis Well pumps #1 and #2, variable frequency drives, how to improve the grounding within the electrical system, reduce "noise", improve flow volume, and the recommended courses of action to blend "old" technology with the new technology. All agreed that prompt action is necessary, as the lack of rainfall is of great concern. Mr. LaBranche will obtain additional information from the Maher Corporation as well as coordinate the scope of work/electrical maintenance tests to be performed by the Three-C Electrical Company, Inc., coordinated with Piquette and Howard staff. A meeting will be held at the Curtis Well Field at 9:00 a.m. on August 27th to assess progress, review capacity test results, and to come to an agreement on which additional steps would follow.

Mr. LaBranche informed the commissioners that he is pursuing conversations with Stantec's Risk Management Department and with Fairpoint Communications to recoup a portion of the South Street sewer rehabilitation project costs for which Verizon had previously been found liable to pay during a legal hearing held a few years ago, and that Fairpoint Communications is now responsible to pay to Milford. He said he is confident of the opportunity to proceed with financial collection activities despite Fairpoint's bankruptcy status. Additionally, he said that legal issues with the painter hired by, but not paid by, Englewood Construction has been resolved and that he will recommend and pursue the payment of attorney fees by the bonding company.

Decisions:

Approval of Final Minutes – The August 3rd meeting minutes were tabled until the next meeting.

Discussions:

Biker Chick Essentials Dispute of Final Water Bill – Superintendent Boucher explained the dissatisfaction of the final water bill for this South Street business is being investigated. The

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placed "on hold" until further information is available upon inspection of the meter and the service connections.

Pennichuck Water – August 2010 Invoice – Superintendent Boucher informed the commissioners that the most recent invoice is higher than usual, and if the PUC approves Pennichuck's request for a rate increase, that the increase could be retroactive to June.

12 Harvest Drive – Request for Water & Sewer Entrance Fee Payment Plan – The Commissioners reviewed the letter sent to the owner of the 12 Harvest Drive residence explaining the payment plan arrangements. Mr. Boucher will follow-up with Attorney Drescher regarding a form letter to protect the Town against any events of non-compliance with payment plan arrangements.

Jacques School Water Main Relocation Project – Mr. Boucher said that August 13th is the date that the school is planning to go "on line" and that a new hydrant is in place. Chairman Courage recommended the gate valves be exercised often.

Activities Report – The commissioners reviewed the information provided. Commissioner White said that he had seen the work done by the Collection System crew at VFW Way, and that he was impressed with the safe and thorough manner in which the crew performed their duties.

Future Appointments/Meetings:

The next meeting of the Water and Wastewater Commissioners will be held at 6:00 p.m. on Tuesday, August 31, 2010 at the Water Utilities Department, 564 Nashua Street.

Adjournment:

A motion to adjourn was made by Commissioner White at 8:10 p.m. Chairman Courage seconded the motion. All voted in favor.

Respectfully submitted,

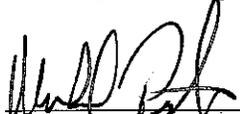
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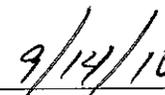
Robert E. Courage – Chairman



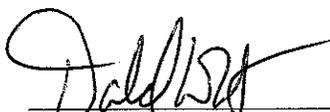
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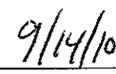
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Date



Dale A. White, Commissioner



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