

MEETING OF THE SPRAGUE WATER AND SEWER AUTHORITY

Date: November 14, 2012
Time: 4:00 PM
Place: Sprague Town Hall
Present: Walter Treat, Tom Hannon, Richard Douville, Dennison Allen, Todd Hastings, David Trainor, Christine Kurtz from Wright Pierce, Manny Meneses, Robert Noon
Absent: none

Call to Order:

The meeting was called to order at 4:00 p.m. by Tom Hannon.

Minutes and Disbursements:

Richard Douville made a motion to approve the minutes of the regular meeting held on October 17, 2012 and the disbursements for October in the amount of \$105,441.87. This motion was seconded by Dennison Allen. A vote was called and the motion passed by all members voting in favor.

First Selectman's Report:

The First Selectman was not present at this time but arrived later. She expressed her hopes of getting Pump Station #1 project moving and completed quickly. A short discussion followed on Pump Station #2 and the funding for the projects.

Wright Pierce:

Bob Noon, Clerk of the Works on the Pump Station #1 project updated the board members on the progress at the site. He informed the board members that Cumberland Farms and one residence will be without water for a short period of time to enable them to move the water line at the site.

Christine Kurtz updated the board members on where we are with the Pump Station #1 rehabilitation project. Christine said that the shop drawings that have been reviewed and approved will be emailed to Kathleen. Christine wanted to make sure that all questions go through Wright Pierce. Discussion followed.

Christine gave the board members an update on the I & I. The bid is due to expire on Friday, November 16, 2012 but the contractor agreed to extend the deadline. Christine sees the contracts being signed and other necessary paperwork being completed over the

next couple of weeks. Discussion followed.

Christine told the board that the Water Supply Plan has been received and First Selectman, Cathy Osten is trying to get them to speed up their review time.

Discussion on the Dam and when to drain it down for inspection ensued. After much discussion it was decided that Christine would contact the contractor and make sure that they would be able to come down to inspect and we would start draining as soon as she contacts them and sets a time for inspection.

The DOT bridge project was discussed. The contract was received and needs to be signed by the First Selectman. Discussion followed.

Status Report from Todd Hastings:

Todd informed the board members of recent projects that were performed by James Benjamin which included replacing manhole covers on Riverside Drive and at the sewer plant, fixing a water main break at the senior garden area, and digging out the drying beds and replacing with new sand. The cost for these projects is \$900.00, \$3,500.00 and \$4,500.00 respectively.

Todd told the board members of the preparation and outcome from Storm Sandy. Discussion followed on the possibility of getting a contract with an electrical company that can service our generators.

Discuss grinder pumps on private properties:

A copy of the sewer easement for the grinder pumps in Versailles was passed out along with copies of emails between Kathleen and the Town Attorney and his interpretation of the easement. The board members took a moment to review. Discussion followed. Todd explained to the board members of the situation that occurred after Storm Sandy with one of the homeowners. It was decided that we would follow the Town Attorney's advice and act accordingly during future events.

Review past due accounts:

Kathleen gave the board a report on all the past due accounts both in the Baltic-Hanover system and the Versailles sewer. The board members reviewed the report and discussion followed. Kathleen brought the board members up to date on where the accounts that are currently with Attorney Lloyd Langhammer stand. The board members asked questions regarding some of the accounts and procedures were discussed.

Review bills for payment:

The board reviewed a list of the bills that have been paid since our last meeting. Discussion followed.

Any other business to come before said meeting:

No other business.

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Dick Douville made a motion to adjourn the meeting. This motion was seconded by Walter Treat. All members voted in favor. The meeting was adjourned at 5:23 p.m.