

BOARD OF WATER COMMISSIONERS
REGULAR MEETING OF OCTOBER 18, 2012

REGULAR MEETING: The regular meeting of the Board of Water Commissioners was held at the 438 Granby Road Office on Thursday, October 18, 2012. Chairman William L. Schenker called the meeting to order at 6:30 p.m.

ATTENDANCE:	Chairman	William L. Schenker
	Clerk	David T. Daly
	Associate Member	John A. Mikuszewski
	Superintendent	Jeffrey A. Cyr

APPROVAL OF WARRANTS: The weekly warrants were signed by all Board Members.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES: David T. Daly made a motion to approve the minutes of September 6, 2012. This motion was seconded by John A. Mikuszewski. Motion carried

COLIFORM INCEIDENT
10/1/2012:

Jeffrey Cyr informed the Board about a recent total coliform issue at Big Y on Newton Street and the Highway Department during our routine sampling on October 1, 2012. Jeff explained that we had 2 samples that were positive for total coliform after a significant water main break on Fulton Street the previous day, Sept. 30th. The D.E.P. only allows 1 positive finding for total coliform per month. We increased chlorine levels in water and flushed the distribution systems and then resampled a second time and all samples were negative for total coliform. Jeff notified the D.E.P. about the 2 samples and explained we had just incurred a significant water main break the previous day on September 30th and asked if we could “sample out” to eliminate the Notice of non compliance for total coliform. D.E.P. is firm about their requirements so we will be sending a mass mailing to all our customers on October 29, 2012 explaining what happened (See Note 1).

CARLTON STREET WATER
MAIN UPDATE:

Jeff Cyr updated the Board that the water main project on Carlton Street is going very well. The Maintenance crew has pressure tested and chlorinated the main and have 7 homes connected to the new main. The crew has received positive feedback from the residence of Carlton Street on the work they have been doing. The Maintenance crew should be finishing the remaining 3 connections on Friday and will begin paving next week.

UPDATE AND APPROVAL OF
INVOICE FOR ADDITIONAL WORK
ON NEW UTILITY TRUCK:

Jeff Cyr informed the Board that he spoke to Bob Mikesch from Marcotte Ford and Roland Croteau from the Hews Company, in South Portland, Maine. Roland confirmed the truck is at the maintainer facility in Iowa installing the body on the new W-4 truck. The truck will then be shipped to Roland and is scheduled for a Dec. 1st delivery date. Jeff noticed that there are no strobe lights to be installed on the original specs so he asked the Hews Company to get him a price to have them installed. Jeff received a quote of \$900.00 to have them factory installed (See Note 2). John A. Mikuszewski made a motion to accept the \$900.00 to have the strobe lights installed by The Hews Company. This motion was seconded by William L. Schenker. Motion carried

HYDRANT BID REVIEW
AND AWARD:

Jeff Cyr notified the Board that winter is coming and we are in need of some new Fire Hydrants to keep in stock. Jeff noted that we currently only have one hydrant in stock. Jeff received bids from 3 companies for 6 new hydrants and the lowest bid was from EPPCO for \$1,782.00 (See Note 3). John A. Mikuszewski made a motion to accept the bid from EPPCO for 6 new hydrants at a total cost of \$1,782.00. This motion was seconded by David T. Daly. Motion carried

MEETING FOR NEW PROPOSED
PLAINS SCHOOL NOV 8TH:

Jeff Cyr informed the Board that they are invited to a meeting on Nov. 8th at 10 a.m. to discuss the new proposed Plains School. Jeff stated that he is Appropriations Committee member to discuss the new proposed Plains School building. Jeff has met with Nick Macy, Senior project Manager from the engineering company Arcadis, about the water mains for the school and their proposed 4 hydrants for the new school. Jeff made suggestions to the Nick about the placement of the water mains and that 4 fire hydrants for the schools could possibly be excessive for the school, unless the Fire Chief felt it necessary. Jeff felt as though he was able to help them revise their plans to save some money toward the cost of water mains and hydrant placement.

HOLIDAY SCHEDULE:

The Board granted the day after Thanksgiving off and the entire day Christmas Eve off. The staff will work the normal half day on New Years' Eve.

DAVID SUDYKA UPDATE
ON RECOVERY:

Jeff Cyr updated the Board that he spoke to David Sudyka and David has a doctor's appointment October 24th and is hoping to get a possible back to work date. Jeff noted that David is now walking with a small boot on his foot and is able to wear a sneaker, but that David is very sore by the end of each day. Jeff will keep the Board updated.

CALL FROM MASS. DEPT.
OF TRANSPORTATION:

Jeff Cyr informed the Board he received a call from Mass. Dept. of Transportation regarding the asphalt patch on the corner of Newton St. and Pershing Ave. Mass D.O.T. said they felt the patch was elevated to much and may want the Dept. to redo the patch. Jeff stated to Mass. D.O.T. that he is required by the State to use flowable fill and believes this past winter may have heaved the patch slightly. Jeff stated to the Board that he will do what he can to try to prevent the Department from having to redo the patch.

CALL ABOUT HUNTING
ON WATER DEPT. PROP:

Jeff Cyr informed the Board he received a call from a resident David Collette asking if he could hunt on our property. Jeff informed Mr. Collette that there is no hunting on the property and that there is also no trespassing.

NEWTON STREET
FUTURE WATER MAIN
REPLACEMENT:

William L. Schenker asked Jeff Cyr about the age of the Newton Street water main and would like to start to prepare for the one day we have to replace the entire main. Jeff stated he thought the main was installed in the 1950's and he will contact Tony Cruz of Tighe and Bond Engineers to discuss an estimated cost to replace. Jeff will update the Board when he receives information.

MOTION TO ADJOURN:

William L. Schenker a motion to adjourn, which was seconded by John A. Mikuszewski. Motion carried

ADJOURNMENT:

Meeting adjourned at 7:00 p.m.

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David T. Daly, Clerk