

BOARD OF WATER COMMISSIONERS
REGULAR MEETING OF APRIL 16, 2013

REGULAR MEETING: The regular meeting of the Board of Water Commissioners was held at the 438 Granby Road Office on Tuesday, April 16, 2013.
Chairman William L. Schenker called the meeting to order at 6:00 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: John A. Mikuszewski made a motion to approve the minutes of April 4, 2013.
This motion was seconded by David T. Daly. Motion Carried

DISCUSSION WITH
SUPERINTENDENT
JIM REIDY:

Mr. Reidy began the discussion regarding the position of the Board of Water Commissioners that when water property is damaged, the DPW take responsibility for that damage and pay damages done. This issue was the first step prior to any agreements to assist with the request by Mr. Reidy for water related work at the new proposed Buttery Brook Park. Mr. Reidy's intentions were to try and come to an agreement for when and if the DPW was responsible for hitting water appurtenances (hydrants) by establishing a safe distance from the roadways, sidewalks, etc. After a brief discussion, Mr. Reidy suggested that if a fire hydrant was located outside of five feet then the DPW would be responsible. John A. Mikuszewski responded by stating that the three foot distance the hydrants are placed from roadways are in accordance with the Depts. Rules and Regulations and that it was Jeff's responsibility to uphold those Rules and Regulations. John A. Mikuszewski also stated that there are plenty of other items that are placed along the edge of the roadway within the three foot distance. William Schenker stated that he had asked Fire Chief Robert Authier regarding placement of Fire Hydrants and he responded by stating the closer to the roadway the better. After a lengthy discussion with Mr. Reidy, the Board of Water Commissioners upheld the placement of fire hydrants according to the Rules and Regulations and felt that if a water appurtenance was struck, the DPW was responsible. Mr. Reidy stated he would consult with the town administrator Michael Sullivan and get back in touch with the Board.

UPDATE ON MEETING
WITH MWRA 4-9-13:

Jeff Cyr informed the Board that the meeting with the Massachusetts Water Resource Authority (MWRA) on April 9, 2013 was both informative and productive. The first order of business was to inform the three CVA communities that the leak on Shea Rd. in Belchertown was unable to be repaired the evening of Thursday April 4th. The amount of tuberculation located in the 36" cast iron tee was more than expected and they believe the leak source was something other

than the 2" drain. They are re-visiting the issue and will get back to the three communities once they determine another strategy. The next attempted shut-down to repair could possibly be as soon as May 1st. If that doesn't occur, the next attempt would be in the fall. The second order of business was to inform the three communities that the ultraviolet (UV) project located at the Ware disinfection facility is progressing. Once most of the piping and building addition are constructed in the fall, they will hold a more informative meeting at the facility. The last order of business was to discuss the Chlorine residual the MWRA would be responsible for at the Ludlow Monitoring Facility on Rte 21 in Ludlow. The MWRA was required to maintain a Cl₂ residual of .75 at Ludlow. This residual was found to be lower than the needs of South Hadley and therefore, required South Hadley to booster Chlorinate. After a lengthy discussion, the MWRA, Wilbraham and Chicopee agreed to seasonal chlorination of the CVA. The agreed schedule would be the following: From November 1 to June 1st, the free cl₂ residual would be maintained at .75 ppm. From June 1st to November 1st, the free cl₂ residual would be maintained at 1.0 ppm. This would possibly reduce the need to booster chlorinate. Jeff will keep the Board informed.

12" BELL JOINT LEAK AT
GRANBY ROAD AND
PINE HILL RD.:

Jeff Cyr informed the Board of a bell joint leak located on a 12" cast iron tee at the intersection of Granby Road and Pine Hill Rd. Unfortunately the leak is located below the new pavement on Granby Road. The leak has been repaired and the roadway will be re-paved in accordance with Mass DOT standards on Wednesday April 17th. Jeff estimated the cost of the repair at approximately \$3,000.00.

MOTION TO ADJOURN:

William L. Schenker made 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