

BOARD OF WATER COMMISSIONERS  
REGULAR MEETING OF AUGUST 22, 2013

REGULAR MEETING: The regular meeting of the Board of Water Commissioners was held at the 438 Granby Road Office on Thursday, August 22, 2013. Chairman David T. Daly called the meeting to order at 6:30 p.m.

ATTENDANCE:	Chairman	David T. Daly
	Clerk	John A. Mikuszewski
	Associate Member	William L. Schenker
	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 August 1, 2013. This motion was seconded by William L. Schenker. Motion Carried

WATER REQUEST FROM  
RESIDENTS PINE CONE  
LANE LUDLOW, MA:

Tony & Tracey Goncalves & Tom Carnavale, residents from Pine Cone Lane, Ludlow, Ma presented to the Board that they are looking for the Water Departments help and approval to connect to Fuller St., Ludlow to get water service to their homes (See Note 1). Tony Goncalves stated he no longer has water at his home as his well has dried up, and Tom Carnavale said he has only ½ gallon of water per minute. Tom discussed that a few years ago he hydrofracked his well to hopefully increase the flow of water to his well, he still has low water flow. Tom had the copies of permits from the town that stated when the development was put in and the wells tested the permits stated there was significant flow to the homes. Tony said there are currently 3 residents on Pine Cone Lane that have wells that are drying up and several others have had problems. The Board responded that with the Legislation that was approved 2+ yrs ago we would be able to provide water to them as it is an emergency situation. Jeff Cyr stated that prior to the newer Legislation being written we would not be able to help, because the MWRA regulations state that unless there is frontage off of our 16" Transmission main we wouldn't be able to provide water. Jeff Cyr informed Tony & Tom that they would be responsible for all aspects of the project but that he and the department would be glad to guide them & answer any questions along the way as needed.

BUTTERY BROOK  
PARK UPDATE:

Jeff Cyr updated the Board that he met with Mike Sullivan, Town Administrator, Daniel Murphy, Town Engineer and James Reidy, DPW Superintendent. Jeff stated that during the meeting he was told the plumbing inspector specified that they could not use plastic pipe for the project, but wanted to see copper pipe used. Jeff noted that copper would be a significant increase in price than plastic pipe. Jeff noted that our original proposal to help the Town & DPW to build this project our contribution would not exceed \$15,798 part of was to use plastic pipe. The town now has to reassess where the additional funds will come from for copper pipe.

2-YEAR INTERIOR  
INSPECTION OF  
INDUSTRIAL DRIVE TANK:

Jeff Cyr presented to the Board the DVD video Mr. Joe Harris from ITI made of the interior inspection done in July 2013. The video, done by a ROV (remote operated underwater vehicle), showed some debris on the surface from the sides of the tank. It also showed that for the most part the inside is in good condition, with the exception of some tuberculation on the side of the dry riser pipe that runs through the tank for access to the roof. Jeff stated that the interior is currently under warranty and Mr. Harris will contact Worldwide Co. to have them come back to fix the overflow pipe under warranty. The tank will need to be drained to be able to resurface the areas on the overflow pipe that need to be addressed. Jeff stated that hopefully while the tank is drained we will be able to clean up the sediment. Jeff also noted that Mr. Harris recommends us to consider repainting the interior of the Alvord Street water tank within the near future. Mr. Harris will put together a proposal for the Alvord St. tank interior painting. Jeff would also like to investigate the possibility of a mixer, which will alleviate stratification within the tank improving water quality for the Alvord Street tank when we do decide to do the interior painting.

E-WASTE MAILER  
REQUEST:

Jeff Cyr noted he was contacted by Sue King asking if we could insert the E-Waste mailer in our October bills as we have done in the past. The E-Waste Drive is to raise money to support the South Hadley Music programs at the High School. The Board agreed to approve the insert in our bill as it does not add to our postage.

W. SUMMIT ST.  
HYDRANT UPDATE:

Jeff Cyr updated to Board that during his meeting with Mr. Sullivan, Mr. Murphy and Mr. Reidy they discussed the West Summit Street Fire Hydrant issue. Jeff stated that the department heads agreed to share the costs of moving the 3 fire hydrants on West Summit St. Jeff noted that the Water Department will pay for excavating and labor to move the hydrants back off the center of the sidewalks so they are 1ft off the sidewalks. DPW has agreed to pay for parts associated with the moving.

LIBRARY TIE IN REQUEST  
FROM MARIONS:

Jeff Cyr communicated to the Board that he was contacted by Marion's Excavating to help with the tie in for the new Library water main. Jeff said the Maintenance Crew was required to help as there were some questions as to where the fire line for Tech Fab tied in and how the old pipes were placed. The new arrangement will be a lot cleaner moving through the library property. Jeff noted that during the new tie-in, the domestic service for Tech Fab had to be re-located from a 6" cast iron main to the 10" cast iron main approximately 10 ft. away.

MWRA MEETING ABOUT  
LEAK ON SHEA ROAD  
BELCHERTOWN:

Jeff Cyr updated the Board there is a 2<sup>nd</sup> meeting with the CVA communities on Wednesday, September 4<sup>th</sup> to discuss the leak on Shea Rd. in Belchertown. Jeff extended the invitation to Board if they are interested in going. The MWRA will discuss their next attempt at repairing the leak, as it will require a shut down, and how it will affect the 3 CVA communities.

MOTION TO ADJOURN:

David T. Daly made a motion to adjourn, which was seconded by John A. Mikuszewski  
Motion carried

ADJOURNMENT:

Meeting adjourned at 7:55 p.m.

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John A. Mikuszewski, Clerk