

BOARD OF WATER COMMISSIONERS  
REGULAR MEETING OF OCTOBER 3, 2013

REGULAR MEETING: The regular meeting of the Board of Water Commissioners was held at the 438 Granby Road Office on Thursday, October 3, 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 22, 2013. This motion was seconded by William L. Schenker. Motion Carried

BUTTERY BROOK  
PARK UPDATE:

Jeff Cyr updated the Board that the maintenance crew has started our portion of the work at Buttery Brook Park. The first few days the crew got off to a rough start, the water main was down 9 feet down and they encountered red clay while digging. Jeff reported that the crew has finished about 300 ft. of pipe in a few days and are now moving along well. Jeff will keep the Board updated as things progress.

SHEA AVENUE LEAK  
ON CVA UPDATE:

Jeff Cyr updated the Board that he attended a meeting on September 4<sup>th</sup> with the other CVA communities. The MWRA is planning to repair the leak on Shea Avenue in Belchertown in late fall or early spring 2014. The plan is to remove the entire tee and valve cluster. Jeff noted that they have to install a line stop (bypass) to replace the fittings due to the fact that the CVA is a single barrel pipeline. Prior to doing that the MWRA is revising the Springfield water system interconnection on West St. Ludlow by installing valves in order to connect pressure pumps to assist with filling the 12.5 Million gallon tanks at Nash Hill in the event there is a problem with the Shea Ave. work. Jeff reported that special fittings have been purchased for the leak and so far at a cost of approximately \$50,000. Additionally, the entire cost to repair the Shea Ave. leak is estimated at \$550,000.00, which will be the responsibility of the three CVA Communities to pay. The yearly estimate from the MWRA is a 1% increase to each community's assessment for 10 years.

RISK CONTROL AUDIT FROM  
TRAVELERS INS. 9/24/13:

Jeff Cyr communicated to the Board that he met with Tom Newman from Travelers Insurance to do a Risk Control Audit based on the claim for David Sudyka's accident in April 2012. Mr. Newman verified our safety policies and procedures, looked at our safety equipment and was very satisfied with all the procedures we have in place. He did recommend our Maintenance Crew have another hearing test as it has been 2 years since the last hearing test.

## INDUSTRIAL DRIVE WATER

TANK REMEDIATION UPDATE: Jeff Cyr notified the Board that he has no date for remediation he was unable to get the information from Joe Harris of ITI in time for the Board meeting. Jeff will update at the next meeting when he receives information.

## PROPOSAL FROM INDUSTRIAL TECHNICAL SERVICES FOR LUDLOW STATION:

Jeff informed the Board that he received a proposal from Industrial Technical Services to install a 3 phase monitor at the Ludlow pump station for \$1300. Jeff reported that on two occasions so far, one of the 3 phases of power that run the system has dropped out and has caused significant cost inside the Ludlow Facility. There are no alarms to notify us that one phase of power dropped out, so the motor starters try to run and on both occasions have melted inside their enclosures. The cost of the repairs both times were over \$1500. The installation of the new 3 phase monitor would notify Jeff and the call man by Scada and also shut down the motor starters to prevent damage. After a brief discussion, John A. Mikuszewski made a motion to accept the bid of \$1300 from Industrial Technical Services for a 3 phase monitor at the Ludlow station. This motion was seconded by William L. Schenker. Motion Carried

## TIGHE & BOND PROPOSAL FOR ALVORD STREET:

Jeff reported to the Board he has been in touch with Tony DeCruz from Tighe & Bond about the chlorination system for the Alvord Street tank. Jeff reminded the Board that we had received a proposal some time ago but were waiting for the hydraulic model to be completed first. Jeff informed the Board that in September we had 2 positive coliform samples from the same area we've had trouble in in the past, the end of Alvord Street. Jeff asked Tighe & Bond to review the original proposal and revise if necessary. The proposal price went from \$12,000 to \$7800 and does not include the Scada programming. When we paint the interior of the Alvord Street tank Jeff is suggesting we look at a mixer for the tank while it is empty. The tank does not maintain uniform water quality due to low demand. After a brief discussion, John A. Mikuszewski made a motion to accept the bid of \$7800 from Tighe & Bond for a chlorination system for the Alvord Street water tank. This motion was seconded by David T. Daly. Motion Carried

## S.H.E.L.D. FIBER OPTIC NETWORK:

Jeff Cyr reported to the Board that he attended a presentation the Electric Light had on Fiber Optics. The So. Hadley Electric Light Dept. is installing a fiber optic network to increase carrying capacity and eventually carry cable TV. Jeff conveyed to the Electric Light and the Board he would be very interested in joining the Fiber Optic network system for the Scada system.

MT. VIEW WATER  
MAIN REPLACEMENT:

Jeff informed the Board the Maintenance crew has completed the Mt. View water main project is and the final tally is \$103,000. Jeff stated the customers are happy and we had very few complaints. Having the end of Mt. View open through Red Bridge Lane helped to relieve the traffic and allowed customers to get in and out easier.

MOTION TO ADJOURN:

William L. Schenker made a motion to adjourn, which was seconded by David T. Daly.

Motion carried

ADJOURNMENT:

Meeting adjourned at 6:52 p.m.

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John A. Mikuszewski, Clerk