

BOARD OF WATER COMMISSIONERS  
REGULAR MEETING OF JULY 7, 2011

REGULAR MEETING: The regular meeting of the Board of Water Commissioners was held at the 438 Granby Road Office on Thursday, July 7, 2011. Chairman John A. Mikuszewski called the meeting to order at 6:30 p.m.

ATTENDANCE

Chairman	John A. Mikuszewski
Clerk	William L. Schenker - Absent
Associate Member	David T. Daly
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 June 16, 2011 as amended. This motion was seconded by John A. Mikuszewski.  
Motion carried

BILL GAZDA REQUEST FOR ABATEMENT:

Mr. Bill Gazda from 75 Brainerd Street is requesting an abatement from the Water Department for water he had to run during the Brainerd Street Water Main project. Mr. Gazda stated he took 2 different readings on his meter after he had to run the cold water to clear out the sediment in his pipes. He stated he used approximately \$6 worth of water (200 c.f.) to clear his pipes till water was clear. Jeff Cyr informed the Board that during the process of installing the Main we had a few small breaks, and had to terminate water to make the necessary repairs, but that the customers affected by the breaks were notified and told to draw any water necessary during the repairs. Jeff noted that Mr. Gazda's consumption this quarter was 2100 c.f. (\$71.57) compared to last year's consumption of 2200 c.f. The Board agreed that Mr. Gazda's consumption did not go up so we cannot justify the abatement without legal advice that would be an additional cost the department. The Board also stated that several other customers on the Brainerd Street service had to also run their water during the construction process. Mr. Gazda agreed with the Boards decision not to abate him the \$6 or to seek legal counsel.

INDUSTRIAL DRIVE TANK PAINTING UPDATE:

Jeff Cyr informed the Board that Worldwide Industries had finished sandblasting the interior of the tank on Mon. 7/4. The work crew from Worldwide Industries has a 60 day contract to complete the project and have been on site a total of 30 days. The Worldwide workers started painting Wed. 7/6 between 4 p.m.- 12 midnight. They have painted the cone section and applied polyurethane to protect from overspray. They did not have to do any spot welding on the tank as previously thought. Jeff noted that Worldwide Industries was going to put a pay request together but was not able to. Jeff met with Mr. Joe Harris of ITI and Mr. Harris was concerned with the amount of steel shot on the catwalks on the inside walls of the tank, as the moisture will rust the steel quickly. Mr. Harris said that he will be sure the steel gets picked up ASAP. Mr. Harris estimates to be done painting the interior by the end of next week and will repair the roof penetrations as well. Jeff told the Board when the painting is done Worldwide will pressure

wash the inside and outside of the tank. Dependent upon the completion of the painting and Jeff Cyr' schedule, the tank may have to sit for a week before we begin refilling it back up. Mr. Harris anticipates all work will be completed by the end of July. Mr. Joe Harris of ITI has submitted an invoice for payment of \$7,980 for work done June 6, 2011 through June 30, 2011 (See Note 1). David T. Daly made a motion to approve payment of \$7,980 to Infrastructure Technologies, Inc. This motion was seconded by John A. Mikuszewski .  
Motion Carried

#### LEAK DETECTION UPDATE:

Jeff Cyr informed the Board that Mr. Al Banks from Prowler Water has completed the Leak Detection on approximately 38 miles in our district. Mr. Banks has a list of 5 suspect leaks that we are currently checking into and repairing as needed. Mr. Banks has some of the cross country water mains and major road crossings to complete (ie: Rt 202, Waite Ave. woods) by utilizing a computerized leak correlation process that listens and analyzes any potential leak noises through the gate vales rather than through the hydrants. Jeff will keep the Board updated.

#### MWRA WHOLESALE ASSESSMENT FOR FY12:

Jeff informed the Board that he received the final assessments for our Water purchase from the MWRA (See Note 2). MWRA's original estimate for FY12 was \$635,511 and the final figure is \$587,111 a difference of \$48,400 (3% difference). The assessments are based on actual water usage by the district and two other CVA Communities.

#### LOOPING HILLSIDE AVE INTO WATER MAIN:

Jeff noted the Hillside Avenue water main that was installed in 1996 and was never looped into the 12" A.C. main on Granby Rd. During the week of 7/18, the Water Department Maintenance staff will be removing an old leaded tee, adding a new tee and 8" gate valve, and then crossing the street with 60ft. of 8" ductile iron to tie the main into Granby Road. Jeff will update the Board at the next meeting.

#### BRAINERD ST. WATER MAIN UPDATE:

Jeff Cyr updated the Board that the Brainerd Street water main project is completed and final trench paving has been done. Jeff met with Jim Reidy from the DPW to discuss the hydrants we installed on Brainerd Street. Jeff requested a road layout on several occasions from Mr. Reidy for Brainerd Street in order to install the Hydrants far enough off the edge of road. A layout was never provided resulting in the Hydrants being put in according to the existing street layout. One of the Hydrants in front of Fernandes Drive needs to be moved back, so the Water Department Maintenance staff will re-install to the proper set back. The town was scheduled to start the paving and sidewalk project on Brainerd Street at the end of June. Mr. Reidy said they should be starting the week of July 11<sup>th</sup>, but do not have permits for the wetlands portion of the project yet.

#### MORGAN ST. GRANBY UPDATE:

Jeff Cyr met with John Gregory of Tata & Howard, Consultants for Waste Management. Jeff noted that both Mr. Gregory and Mr. Magnusson would like to come to a Board meeting at the Water Department to discuss some water main options in detail with the Board in order to move forward. Mr. Gregory of Tata and Howard is having wetland issues with the plans and abandoning the residents wells. Jeff noted that a possible meeting may happen toward the end of July. Jeff will keep the Board updated.

DAKOTA FOGG  
COMMUNITY SERVICE:

Jeff noted that a young man, Dakota Fogg from Pine Street, has been doing some work at the Water Dept. to work off Community Service he is required to do. Jeff noted he had him paint a few hydrants on Granby Road and had him remove vines from the fence that surrounds the Leaping Wells Reservior. Jeff will continue to give him small jobs around the yard.

MOTION TO ADJOURN:

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

ADJOURNMENT:

Meeting adjourned at 7:10 p.m.

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William L. Schenker, Clerk