

**BOARD OF WATER COMMISSIONERS
REGULAR MEETING OF SEPTEMBER 1, 2016**

REGULAR MEETING: The regular meeting of the Board of Water Commissioners was held at the 438 Granby Road Office on Thursday, September 1, 2016. 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: John A. Mikuszewski made a motion to approve the minutes of July 26, 2016. This motion was seconded by William L. Schenker. Motion Carried

**LEAPING WELLS DAM SAFETY
REPORT RESULTS:**

Jeff Cyr presented the Board with the Inspection evaluation done by Tighe and Bond for the Leaping Wells Dam Safety report. Some of the top priorities are removing some of the brush along the bank and a catch basin along the highway that is eroding. Jeff e-mailed Ken Crochiere of Mass D.O.T. to notify him of the eroded catch basin, as Mass D.O.T. is responsible for repairing. Jeff will keep the Board updated.

**REQUEST FOR
HYDRANT PAINTING:**

Jeff Cyr received a letter from the local Granby/South Hadley Girl Scout troops requesting permission to paint a few fire hydrants to complete their community service badge. (See Note 1) The Girl Scouts will have one adult for every 2 to 3 scouts. After a brief discussion the Board agreed to allow the local Girl Scouts to paint hydrants in the area of Ridge Road, Bengier Avenue so they are not in a heavy traffic area. Jeff will provide the necessary paint and brushes to be consistent with our specifications

**NEWTON STREET WATER
MAIN DISCUSSION:**

Jeff Cyr updated the Board that he received a breakdown from Tony DaCruz of Tighe & Bond of the potential costs for replacing 4500 feet of the water main on Newton Street. (See Note 2) The total cost is \$1,820,000, but after a discussion Jeff is looking into the possibility of having the Maintenance Crew replace a 300 foot section between Foch Ave and Washington Ave where it is leaking this fall to lower costs. Jeff noted that our last repair on Newton Street costs approximately 14,000. The Board discussed ways to raise funds for this project and agreed we should invite our representatives to an upcoming meeting to look at options of seeking funds.

HILDRETH AVENUE

WATER MAIN PROJECT: Jeff reported to the Board that the water main replacement of Hildreth Avenue will begin September 6 and will be complete in 4 to 6 weeks. The section being replaced will be between Boynton Ave. and House # 51. Jeff noted that the 1300 foot section is being replaced due to poor pipe condition and a high water table causing it to become soft. Jeff will keep the Board updated as things progress.

ALVORD STREET
TOWN WIDENING: Jeff Cyr notified the Board that the Town is widening Alvord Street by 3 feet on the left hand side down to Brunelle’s Marina. Jeff Cyr and Wayne Walton went to the DPW to speak with Superintendent James Reidy. Jeff and Wayne expressed concern that the work and it is being done on the side of the street where our water main and gate boxes are. The concern is that there are several areas where the DPW has to cut down trees and pull out stumps that are right over our water main. Mr. Reidy noted our concern but the work has already started and he will stay in close contact to be sure all concerns are addressed prior to the final paving.

OFFICE STAFF: Jeff Cyr informed the board that Kari Scytkowski will start full time (35 hours) starting September 12, 2016.

MOTION TO ADJOURN: William L. Schenker made a motion to adjourn, which was seconded by John A. Mikuszewski Motion carried

ADJOURNMENT: Meeting adjourned at 7:15 p.m.

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John A. Mikuszewski, Clerk