

BOARD OF WATER COMMISSIONERS  
REGULAR MEETING OF SEPTEMBER 22, 2016

REGULAR MEETING: The regular meeting of the Board of Water Commissioners was held at the 438 Granby Road Office on Thursday, September 22, 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 September 1, 2016. This motion was seconded by William L. Schenker. Motion Carried

MR. AARON SHARFF  
REQUEST FOR SERVICE  
ON COTE BLVD.: Mr. Aaron Sharff purchased 12 Cote Boulevard. The property has been abandoned for 3 years and is located at the end of a paper street. Mr. Sharff discovered after he purchased it that it has sewer and a well. Mr. Sharff is asking the Board for the Departments help in putting the piping and curb box in from the water main to the beginning of the street & he would later put in the remaining pipe and meter pit to the house. Jeff Cyr gave Mr. Sharff an estimate of \$1700 to do the work needed to put in the curb box. David T. Daly stated that it would not be a wise decision for the Department to agree to help Mr. Sharff as it would not be fair to other developers in town and may open up the Department to future complications. Mr. Sharff thanked the Board for their consideration, and he will contact Jeff if he intends to move forward with the work or use well on the property.

NEWTON ST. WATER MAIN  
DISCUSSION UPDATE: Jeff Cyr updated the Board that he has investigated several options for funding of the replacement of the Newton Street water main. Jeff spoke with Senator Stan Rosenberg's staff member, Mary Jane Bacon, Pioneer Valley Planning Commission, Community Developer, Jim Mazik and State Representative John Scibak. (See Note 1) Jeff noted that the Maintenance crew may still replace a 300 ft. section of Newton St. between Foch Ave. and Washington Ave. as that section of water main is approximately 10-12 Ft. deep. William Schenker asked Jeff to research how much we would need to go up on our rates to take in an additional \$150,000 annually toward the project if we were to take a 0 % loan from the MWRA in the amount of \$1,500,000.00. Jeff will research and report back to the Board.

HILDRETH AVE. WATER  
MAIN PROJECT: Jeff Cyr updated the Board that the Maintenance Crew made the final connection of the new main to the Stonybrook Easement. The Crew flushed the main and chlorinated it. Following a successful bacteria test we will tap the services and

finish pave. Jeff noted that this replacement has been one of the more difficult projects, the sewers are very shallow and challenging due to its location being very inconsistent. Jeff also noted that the ground water table is very high, which is causing the existing main to become soft requiring the replacement. Jeff will keep the Board updated.

3 COLIFORM SAMPLES:

Jeff informed the Board that 3 of the 17 coliform samples taken tested positive. Jeff notified the DEP and noted that the violation was considered a Tier 1 under the Revised Total Coliform Rule (RTCR) Jeff is required to submit a form on the probable cause of the samples and submit within 30 days. The new rule does not require public notification..

ALVORD STREET  
TOWN WIDENING:

Jeff Cyr updated the Board that most of the stumps that needed to be pulled out over our water main have been taken out without any damage to the main. Ron Motyka was there on site while work was being done to ensure the main wasn't hit. Jeff spoke with Mr. Reidy of the DPW and Mr. Reidy told Jeff the gate boxes that are there will be removed and new tops will be put on the ones that are bad.

SUPERVISORY CONTROL  
AND DATA ACQUISITION  
SYSTEM (SCADA )UPGRADE:

Jeff informed the Board that Ron Smith from Tighe and Bond Engineering was out to do some upgrading of the Scada system for the Booster pump Vault and told Jeff that the SCADA software requires an upgrade and will need to be updated. Preliminary costs of this upgrade will be around \$16,000. Jeff noted we have funds available in the SCADA account to accommodate the upgrade.

MOTION TO ADJOURN:

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

ADJOURNMENT:

Meeting adjourned at 7:44 p.m.

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John A. Mikuszewski, Clerk