

Groton Water Commission

Regular Meeting of the Board of Water Commissioners

Tuesday, March 13, 2012

2nd Floor Lunch Room – Town Hall

DRAFT Minutes

Present are BOWC Chair James Gmeiner, Vice Chair Gary Hoglund, Member Jessica Cajigas, Business Manager Sandy Pellecchia, and DPW Assistant April Iannaccone.

Absent: Superintendent Thomas Orcutt

Mr. Gmeiner called the regular BOWC meeting to order at 7:30 pm.

Abatement Request #261 Main Street –

Mr. Gmeiner informed the other Commissioners that the Sewer Commission had granted an abatement on the sewer use for the bill in question. He also stated that where the tests indicate that the meter was working it does show that the water had been used, where the question of whether or not the water went through the sewer system could not definitively be answered.

Mr. Hoglund made a motion to deny the abatement request for Mr. Buckingham at 261 Main Street where the meter test indicated the meter was accurate and the radio transmitted the read accurately which shows that the water was actually used at the property. Ms. Cajigas seconded and the motion carried unanimously.

Shirley Road Water Quality Issues –

Ms. Pellecchia informed the Commissioners at this time Mr. Orcutt did not have anything new to report. She informed them that he would work on the numbers to have for them at the next meeting.

Conservation Commission CPC Article –

Mr. Marshall Giguere from the Conservation Commission was present to discuss an article that the Conservation Commission would be including on the April Town Meeting Warrant. The Conservation Commission was looking to request \$150,000 from the Community Preservation Committee (CPC) to transfer to the Conservation Fund in order to have more funds available for future land purchases. Mr. Giguere stated that he had been talking with members of the CPC and it appeared that there would be no long term impact to the CPC funds if the Conservation Commission were to receive the requested funding. He would like to request a letter of support from the Water Commissioners for their warrant article.

Mr. Hoglund made a motion that the Water Department would write a letter on behalf of the Water Commission to support the Conservation Commission's article to request \$150,000 from the CPC for the Conservation Fund. Ms. Cajigas seconded and the motion carried unanimously.

Superintendent's Report

As Mr. Orcutt was not in attendance at the meeting and there was nothing new to report, he had not included a Superintendent's report for Ms. Pellecchia to give to the Commissioners.

Minutes –

Mr. Hoglund made a motion to approve the minutes of their regular meeting of January 10, 2012 as drafted. Mr. Gmeiner seconded and the motion carried 2 in favor and 1 abstained (Ms. Cajigas).

Mr. Hoglund made a motion to exit the regular session meeting at 8:05 and enter into executive session to discuss union negotiations and not reconvene in open session. Ms. Cajigas seconded the motion. Roll call vote Gmeiner – yes; Hoglund – yes; Cajigas – yes.

Respectfully Submitted,
April Iannacone
DPW Administrative Assistant

James Gmeiner _____ Date _____

Gary Hoglund _____ Date _____

Jessica Cajigas _____ Date _____