Town of Epping, NH

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Water & Sewer Commissioners 157 Main Street Epping, NH 03042 Water & Sewer Administrator 603-679-5441 x108

WATER & SEWER COMMISSION MEETING MINUTES February 3, 2021

Attendance:

Chairman Tom Gauthier, Commissioner Tom Dwyer BOS Rep. Mike Yergeau, W&S Administrator Dennis Koch, W&S Operator Jim Pouliot

1. Call to Order:

Chairman Gauthier called the meeting to order at 7:00 PM remotely via Zoom.

- 2. Approval of Minutes: Motion by Commissioner Dwyer to approve the minutes of December 7, 2020 as submitted. Seconded by Chairman Gauthier. Motion carried 2-0.
- 3. Appointments: None.
- **4. Administrator's Report:** DK requested abatements for 84 Exeter Rd, \$6.88. and 7 Blackford Lane for \$145.70.

Motion by Commissioner Dwyer to approve both abatements. Seconded by Chairman Gauthier. Motion carried 2-0.

DK provided an update on Pine & Pond. A list of unreadable meters was provided to them and is being addressed. All six past due accounts are being addressed.

DK presented the latest Jones & Beach letter regarding Pleasant View Farm, Underwood's response letter coming soon.

Next meeting is March 2, 2021.

5. Operator's Report: JP requested that the Board transfer \$450,000 from the sewer inter-fund account to sewer reserves. A discussion followed.

Motion by Commissioner Dwyer to transfer \$237,920.00 from the sewer inter-fund account to sewer reserves. Seconded by Chairman Gauthier. Motion carried 2-0.

JP applied for and received a Source Water Protection Grant for \$15,000.00. This will be used for fencing around the wells and cameras at the new WTP.

Chairman Gauthier said that's great, but let the Board know when applying for grants like that in the future.

JP says the new WTP should be complete by July 1, 2021. That is also when we need to take the Hoar Pond Wells off-line because the State lowered the arsenic limit and we don't have treatment at that site.

6. Commissioner's Reports:
Commissioner Dwyer: Nothing.
BOS Rep. Yergeau: Nothing.
Chairman Gauthier: TG discussed job site safety and discussed the need for a trench box
Motion by Chairman Gauthier to split the cost of a trench box with the Highway Department. Seconded by Commissioner Dwyer. Motion carried 2-0.
Motion to adjourn made by Commissioner Dwyer. Seconded by Chairman Gauthier. Motion carried 2 – 0. Meeting adjourned at 8:00 pm.
Respectfully Submitted
Dennis W. Koch Jr. Water & Sewer Administrator
Minutes approved:
Tom Gauthier, Chairman
Tom Duyor, Commissioner