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 1, 2022

Attendance:

Chairman Tom Dwyer, Commissioner Marc Nickerson, Commissioner Tom Gauthier W&S Administrator Dennis Koch, W&S Operator Mark Votto

1. Call to Order:

Chairman Dwyer called the meeting to order at 7:00 PM in the Epping Town Hall.

The Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag followed.

- 2. Approval of Minutes: Motion by Commissioner Gauthier to approve the minutes of January 4 & 25, 2022 as submitted. Seconded by Commissioner Nickerson. Motion carried 3-0.
- 3. Appointments: 46 Martin Road Development, Did Not Show.
- **4 Administrator's Report:** DK reports that we have received two proposals to operate the water system. We are waiting on a third.

DK reviewed the assessment report of well D2 submitted by Emery & Garrett.

Skilling's and Sons proposal for repair work to be done on well D2 for \$50,000.00.

Motion by Commissioner Nickerson to approve the Skilling's proposal for work on D2. Seconded by Commissioner Gauthier. Motion carried 3-0.

DK presented the 4th quarter report on the WWTF for signature.

Motion to sign the quarterly report by Commissioner Gauthier. Seconded by Commissioner Nickerson. Motion carried 3-0.

DK shared a letter written by Underwood Engineers to PRB concerning the underperformance of the new membranes.

Discussion of Change Order for PRB to perform certain additional tasks relating to membrane cleaning and disinfection of effluent.

Motion by Commissioner Gauthier to approve the Change Order for PRB. Seconded by Commissioner Nickerson. Motion carried 3-0.

Underwood Engineers change order for environmental study on Railroad Ave. for the water line extension, costs to be covered by MTBE fund.

Motion by Commissioner Nickerson to approve the Change Order for RR Ave. Seconded by Commissioner Gauthier. Motion carried 3-0.

DK presented a proposal by 125 Fence to construct fencing around three well heads at the Epping Crossing site for a total of \$29,808.31. We have a grant to cover 50% of this cost.

Motion by Commissioner Gauthier to approve the 125 Fence proposal. Seconded by commissioner Nickerson. Motion carried 3-0.

Abatement requests: 42 Leddy Drive \$758.05

D24 290 Calef \$16.34 B18 290 Calef \$75.37

Motion by Commissioner Gauthier to approve all three abatements. Seconded by Commissioner Nickerson. Motion carried 3-0.

5. Operator's Report: Mark Votto says train #1 was started last Friday. Premier Tech is running it slowly and turning it up gradually.

By-passing is a problem, we need to disinfect and dechlorinate.

The septage receiving building is not being used and we are way out of compliance with our permit.

6. Commissioner's Reports:

Chairman Dwyer: Nothing.

Commissioner Nickerson: Thanks to all the crew at the WWTF for the work they have been doing.

Commissioner Gauthier: Motion to table the UE sewer study for 46 Martin Rd. indefinitely. Seconded by Commissioner Nickerson. Motion carried 3-0.

Motion to adjourn made by Commissioner Nickerson. Seconded by Commissioner Gauthier. Motion carried 3 – 0. Meeting adjourned at 8:30 pm.

Respectfully Submitted Dennis W. Koch Jr. Water & Sewer Administrator

Minutes approved:

Tom Dwyer, Chairman

Marc Nickerson, Commissioner

Tom Gauthier, Commissioner