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 March 7, 2023

Attendance:

Chairman Tom Dwyer, Commissioner Marc Nickerson, Commissioner Scott Pim BOS Rep. Tom Gauthier, W&S Administrator Dennis Koch

1. Call to Order:

Chairman Dwyer called the meeting to order at 6:00 PM in the Epping Town Hall.

Motion by Chairman Dwyer to go into non-public session under RSA 91-A:3 II (a). Seconded by Commissioner Nickerson. Motion carried 3-0.

7:00 PM entered back into public meeting.

The Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag followed.

- 2. Approval of Minutes: Motion by Commissioner Nickerson to approve the minutes of February 8, 2023 as submitted. Seconded by Commissioner Pim. Motion carried 3-0.
- **3. Appointments: Paul Gatchell** came in to discuss 14 Bartlett Street. He wants to add two units to the existing building during renovations and also build a new structure with two additional units. Currently the property has 10 bedrooms, the new configuration will have 10 or less. No increase in bedrooms. All new efficient appliances will be installed.

242 Main Street is also being renovated, will have the same or fewer number of bedrooms.

MN feels that any remodeling/construction that results in the same or fewer bedrooms is permissible under the current regulations.

Dave Mercier of Underwood Engineers gave an update: we continue to make progress on the CAP. New Zenon train has been ordered.

Synagro plans to mobilize in late March to continue sludge removal.

Water Main Extension is set to break ground in March. Sewer rehab was begun today on Railroad Ave.

Membrane removal and cleaning to begin next week.

4. Administrator's Report: Dennis Koch reports that a check for \$323,829.85 was received, 10% of the construction cost of the WTP.

Lewis Builders is reporting low water pressure, Dave Mercier is going to look into the calculations and get back to me.

Several abatement requests were presented.

Motion by Commissioner Pim to approve the abatements. Seconded by Commissioner Nickerson, Motion carried 3-0.

DK reviewed the Veolia report on Gauthier Tower.

Roughly \$130.00 to mail out sewer info flyer with next bills.

Motion by Commissioner Nickerson to send the flyer. Seconded by Commissioner Pim. Motion carried 3-0.

A condo owner at 180A Main street wants to connect to Town water due to high arsenic in their well water. Approved by consensus.

5. Operator's Report: Mark Votto reports that the current membrane flow is .050MGD

Lagoon #1 has 4.0' of freeboard and Lagoon #2 has 4.3'

Average inflow is .260MGD

6. Commissioner's Reports:

Chairman Dwyer: No

Commissioner Nickerson: No

Commissioner Pim: No

Motion to adjourn made by Commissioner Nickerson. Seconded by Commissioner Pim. Motion carried 3 – 0.

Meeting adjourned at 9:00 pm.

Respectfully Submitted

Dennis W. Koch Jr.

Water & Sewer Administrator

Minutes approved:

Tom Dwyer, Chairman

Marc Nickerson, Commissioner

Scott Pim. Commissioner

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