

Minutes of the December 6, 2017 Board of Water and Sewer Commissioners Meeting.

Present: Jay Spahl, Fred Bazinet, Scott Zajkowski, John Meehan, Lori Smith

Jay called the meeting to order at 6:30 pm. Scott Zajkowski made a motion to accept the 11.1.17 minutes, Fred Bazinet seconded. All in favor. It passed unanimously as read.

Stevens Linen Mill Update:

John stated that Stevens Linen Mill developers will most likely be coming before the board in the near future to discuss their plans to develop the mill. The Water Department had previously asked the developer to contribute a monetary donation to help offset some of the improvement costs that will be incurred. John said that he wanted to know if the Sewer Department would like to also request a donation of some sort, perhaps for I & I to run cameras to see if the lines can handle the flow. He said unlike when the mill was running and the usage was spread out evenly throughout three shifts this will change with housing as there will be peak times when the flows will be heavy. John said that he did see that in 2015 the Sewer Dept. did request a flow test be done to ensure the lines can handle the flow, which was not yet done. The board will give some thought to this and discuss again at the January meeting. The developers will still need to come before the board.

Superintendent's Report:

Water Dept. – Finished flushing hydrant in the low zone, repaired 2 broken hydrants- one on Kennedy Dr and one on Alton Dr. We have to replace a broken hydrant on School St. but as the hydrant gate is too close to the hydrant we will have to shut the water off on the street. This will need to wait until the school is out on vacation, weather permitting perhaps over Christmas break.

Stonkus came down to make sure all the P.R.V. are working okay, which they were. Worked on the meter repair list. Carl Sopper came down to do the leak detection. He found 3 service leaks and 2 hydrants were leaking. All of them have been repaired.

We ordered the new trucks. Water Dept. truck will take 10-12 weeks to get it from Ford Motor Company and the Sewer Dept. truck will take 14 weeks and then they will need to install the crane.

Toomey came down and did the testing on backflows. DEP came down and did a sanitary survey of all the pump station and tanks. They will be back on Wednesday to check all of the paperwork.

Sewer Dept.- Put in a new ½" copper pipe inside Conant Ave. sewer stations. Pulled both pumps on Lyons Road and also both pumps on Lawrence Rd because of rags. Winterized the jetter. Inspected new service on Alton Dr., Francis Dr. and on Schofield Ave. Ran the generator. Meter repairs on wells and Extra's. We will be posting the opening for a Labor/Maintenance position to fill Mike's vacancy.

MC Methuen will be getting Luther Lane and Lyons Road done on Thursday and Friday of this week. We received a map of the whole town's sewer system from Tighe and Bond. DEP had selected Dudley as one of the towns that they did this mapping for. This was all done with grant money from the state.

Scott Zajkowski stated that he will be meeting with Greg Balukonis the week between Christmas and New Year's to discuss how the indirect costs for Water and Sewer is being calculated.

Fred Bazinet made a motion to adjourn at 6:50 pm, Scott Zajkowski seconded. All in favor.