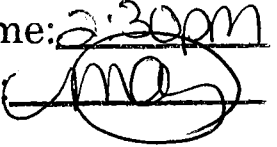


BOARD OF SEWER COMMISSIONERS – MINUTES 2023
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Time: 2:30pm
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Meeting called to order at 4:35 P.M by Mr. Ferry.

Present: Tom Ferry, Robert Woods, Harold Gracia, Superintendent, Dianne Curtis and Josh Glass.

Mr. Ferry motioned to take II. Correspondence D., Findings and Decisions out of order, Mr. Woods seconded, all in favor, motion passes.

Planning Board Findings and Decision RE: Forest Hills Estates Project: Mr. Glass stated that he was attending the meeting because he saw on the agenda that we were discussing the **Planning Board's Finding's and Decision regarding Forest Hills Estates**. He was making himself available to answer any questions the Sewer Commission might have. Mr. Wood's stated that this letter was sent out to all Boards and Committees by the Planning Board, which he is also a member of, just to let them know where the Planning Board stood on the project. Mr. Ferry asked if there was an appeal to the Planning Board's decision. Mr. Glass stated that they had appealed the decision and were pressing forward with other permits. Mr. Glass also stated that they weren't anticipating any changes to sewer and would keep the Board and its Engineer updated. Mrs. Curtis reminded Mr. Glass about setting up a 53G account for engineering costs.

Letter from Office Manager: The Commissioners read the letter from Dianne Curtis requesting an additional 5 hours weekly, permanently. This would bring her total hours to 30 per week. Mr. Ferry asked if this was in lieu of the part time position? Mrs. Curtis explained that the 20-hour position was being discussed by the Town Administrator as a possible job share. Nothing had been decided yet. Mr. Woods motioned to increase the Office Managers job to 30 hours per week, permanently, Mr. Ferry seconded, all in favor, motion passes.

Interviews of Applicants for Sewer Commissioner Opening: The Sewer Commissioners and Sewer Superintendent interviewed Richard Treacy and Mark Nicora. Both candidates were asked the same questions. After careful consideration, the Commissioners decided to recommend Mark Nicora to the Board of Selectmen for their approval.

Annual Town Report: The annual town report was reviewed. Mr. Woods motioned to accept the report, Mr. Ferry seconded, all in favor, motion passes.

Article for Town Warrant: After reviewing the article for the Town Warrant, Mr. Ferry voted to accept the Article, Mr. Woods seconded, all in favor, motion passes.

556 Somerset Ave Sewer Connection: Robert Saxon, R.P. Saxon, Inc and Edward Reese, owner of Reese's Garage came in to speak with the Commissioners and Sewer Superintendent. Mr. Gracia answered questions regarding the location of the sewer stub for the property. He also stated that he would like a gas/oil separator. He questioned where the fluids are going and stated that he just wants to protect the sewer system. Mr. Reese stated that he would be willing to cap the drains off with cement. Mr. Ferry stated that the Board of Health would need to be involved. Mr. Gracia agreed and stated that the Plumbing Inspector may need to be involved.

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Mr. Woods motioned to table the request for a connection permit for 556 Somerset Ave pending further research, Mr. Ferry seconded the motion, all in favor, motion passes.

Drain Layers License: After reviewing his credentials, Mr. Woods motioned to accept R.P. Saxon as a licensed drain layer Mr. Ferry seconded, all in favor, motion passes.

Minutes for 1/23/23 and 2/27/23: Minutes were reviewed, Mr. Ferry motioned to accept both minutes, Mr. Woods seconded, all in favor, motion passes.

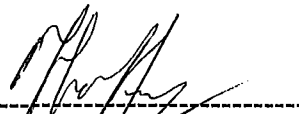
Correspondence: The Commissioners and Superintendent will send a letter to the Planning Board regarding the Comprehensive Permit Modification for Stonegate Landing LLC. Harold stated that he would like to see E-One pumps used. There was discussion regarding the lack of a generator at the pump station. There was discussion about the current flow numbers at the pump station. Harold does not have the data to show how much that pump is pumping now. The Commissioner instructed Dianne to answer the question from Paul Cusson asking for confirmation that additional flow of 10,010 is not an issue. The Superintendent is unable to confirm this as he needs current flow figures.

Superintendent's Report: Mr. Gracia reports that he purchased tires for the Sewer Department truck. He also reports that he inspected the connection at 1247 Somerset Avenue.


Mr. Woods motioned to adjourn at 7:13 P.M.; Mr. Ferry seconded; all ayes, meeting adjourned.

Respectively Submitted,

Minutes taken by Dianne Curtis. Transcribed by Dianne Curtis.



Thomas Ferry, Clerk



Robert Woods