

**BOARD OF SEWER COMMISSIONERS – MINUTES 2020**  
**August 10, 2020**

Meeting opened at 4:30 P.M.

**Present:** Paul Joly, Thomas Ferry, Robert Woods (via Zoom), Supt. Harold Gracia and Dianne Curtis.

**Review and sign bills.**

**Minutes:** Minutes of June 29<sup>th</sup>, 2020 were approved.

**New Business:**

**Review Backflow Prevention Reports from Dighton Water District:** The Board and Supt. Harold Gracia reviewed and discussed the Backflow Prevention Reports from the Dighton Water District. Supt. Gracia stated that there are seven Backflow Prevention Device Inspection reports and all seven passed. He stated that some of the Pump Stations have two Backflow Prevention Devices. He also stated that these are normal routine maintenance.

**5:00 P.M. – Suspend Regular Board Meeting for ‘Open Public Hearing’ to set FY 2021 Rates:** Thomas Ferry motioned to suspend the Regular Sewer Commissioners Board Meeting at 5:00 P.M., for the Open Public Hearing Meeting; Robert Woods seconded the motion; all ayes; none opposed; motion passes.

**Re-Open Regular Board Meeting.**

**Review Daily Field Reports from Russ Kleekamp (GHD Engineering) Re: Stonegate Landing Pump Station Project:** The Board and Supt. Gracia reviewed and discussed the Daily Field Reports from Russ Kleekamp of GHD Engineering in regards to the Stonegate Landing Pump Station Project. Supt. Gracia read some of the Daily Reports out loud to The Board. Supt. Gracia stated that he has been in communication with GHD Engineering to discuss the progress of this Pump Station.

**Set New Board Meeting Dates:**

*All Sewer Commissioner Board Meetings begin at 4:30 P.M.*

August 31, 2020

September 14, 2020

September 28, 2020

**Review Correspondence Between Chuck Samiotes (Samiotes Consultants, Inc.-Engineer for B.C.A.H.S.) and Justin Gould (Weston & Sampson-Consulting Engineer for the Dighton Sewer Dept.)**  
**RE: Overflow Tank:** The Board, Supt. Gracia and Dianne Curtis reviewed and discussed correspondence between Chuck Samiotes from Samiotes Consultants, Inc. and Justin Gould from Weston & Sampson regarding the procedure for the needed 1500 gallon overflow tank at the B.C.A.H.S. Pump Station. Thomas Ferry motioned to send a letter to proceed with the overflow tank subject to Weston & Sampson’s positive recommendation; Paul Joly stepped down as Chair and seconded; all ayes; none opposed; motion passes.

**Miscellaneous New Business:**

There was brief discussion regarding a surplus generator from the Lincoln Avenue Pump Station. Thomas Ferry motioned to have the generator from the Lincoln Avenue Pump Station be declared as surplus for Auction; Paul Joly stepped down as Chair and seconded the motion; all ayes; none opposed; motion passes.

Thomas Ferry discussed with The Board and Supt. Gracia correspondence from Mallory Aronstein, Town Administrator, regarding updates for the Sewer Extension Study Project.

**Old Business:**

**Update on Pump Truck Invoice Re: B.C.A.H.S.:** The Board discussed a letter that Office Manager, Dianne Curtis, sent to B.C.A.H.S. along with a copy of the invoice regarding requesting reimbursement for a bill that was paid by the Dighton Sewer Dept. for pumping services from Bay State Sewage Disposal on 04/28/20. There was an overflow event on that date from a continuously running toilet at the B.C.A.H.S. Pump Station.

**Superintendent's Report:**

Supt. Harold Gracia stated that he met with Justin Gould from Weston & Sampson regarding the Strawberry Fields Project.

Supt. Gracia stated to The Board that Power Products was scheduled to service the generators at the Pump Stations. However, due to illness of the Tech from Power Products, the generator servicing was rescheduled to August 26<sup>th</sup> and 27<sup>th</sup>.

Supt. Gracia discussed drainage that was being done in North Dighton. Thomas Ferry stated that the drainage was already done. Mr. Ferry stated that connection still needs to be completed at Prospect Street and School Street to Bedford Street.

Thomas Ferry motioned to adjourn at 6:20 P.M.; Robert Woods seconded; all ayes. Meeting adjourned.

Respectively Submitted,

Minutes taken by Dianne Curtis. Transcribed by Joelle Anger.

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Paul Joly, Chairman



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Thomas Ferry, Clerk

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Robert Woods