

BOARD OF SEWER COMMISSIONS – MINUTES 2019
June 17, 2019

Meeting opened at 4:30 P.M.

Present: Carol Beauregard, Paul Joly, Supt. Harold Gracia and Dianne Curtis. Thomas Ferry was not in attendance.

Review and sign bills and stipends.

Payroll was signed singularly by Carol Beauregard singularly on 5/28/19, 6/3/19, 6/10/19 and 6/17/19.

Minutes: Minutes of May 20th were approved.

New Business:

A. Correspondence:

1.) Request from Z.B.A. for Input Prior to Their June 26, 2019 Meeting; Review of Strawberry Fields; Sewer Concerns in Relation to Route 138 Pump Station Capacity, etc.: The Zoning Board of Appeals (Z.B.A.) requested input from The Board of Sewer Commissioners and Supt. Harold Gracia of Sewer concerns for the Route 138 Pump Station on the Strawberry Fields Development. Supt. Gracia stated that there is a lot of unknown information and currently, there are issues at the Route 138 Pump Station along with two Commercial sewer users, using this Station. He stated responding to the Z.B.A. with a memo, recommending that the Developer do a sewer system evaluation/flow study be done as this Development would have a huge impact on this Pump Station.

2.) Dighton Water District Backflow Testing Request: The Board reviewed the request for Backflow Testing Request from the Dighton Water District.

3.) AECOM Memo Re: Bristol County Agricultural High School (B.C.A.H.S.) Upgrade Project: There was brief discussion between The Board and Supt. Gracia regarding the B.C.A.H.S. Expansion/Upgrade Project.

4.) Town Administrator, Mallory Aronstein, Sewer Expansion Study; Request for Contact Person: There was general discussion regarding a Contact Person from the Board of Sewer Commissioners for the Sewer Expansion Study. Chairman Carol Beauregard and Paul Joly both declined to be the Contact Person. Thomas Ferry did not attend the Board Meeting, but he will be updated.

B. Discussion:

1.) Re: \$75,000.00 Taken by The Town from the Sewer Reserve Fund and Where to go from here Regarding Replenishing the Fund for Future Sewer Projects. History on the \$25.00 Fee Charged to Sewer Users: There was brief discussion between the Board and Supt. Gracia regarding the Sewer Department funding the Sewer Expansion Study on Route 138. There was also discussion regarding the \$25.00 Fees that were charged to Sewer users in anticipation of the Contract with the City of Taunton and the Inflow and Infiltration (I&I) fees. The Board discussed needing parts for all the pump stations.

2.) Discussion Re: Office Size Reduction; What to do with Files, Cabinets and Other Equipment. (Possibly Starting Mid-July). Any Discussion from Those Responsible for the Project: The Board discussed Office size reduction and discussed/questioned where the Sewer Department's equipment and file cabinets were going to be placed.

Old Business:

Generator Service by Power Products Discussion: Supt. Harold Gracia stated that the Generator Service from Power Products will be addressed after the end of this Fiscal Year.

Manhole Repairs: There was brief discussion between the Board and Supt. Gracia regarding manhole repairs.

Schedule July Board Meeting: The Board scheduled the next Sewer Commissioners Board Meeting and Public Hearing for Sewer Rates on Monday, July 22, 2019.

Superintendent's Report:

Supt. Gracia stated that Bay State Sewage Disposal came to pump out pumps at the Town Hall and Bristol County Agricultural High School Pump Stations.

Supt. Gracia stated that he had a battery replaced in the generator at the Park Street Pump Station.

Supt. Gracia stated that there were a couple of alarms going off at the Power Plant and Park Street Pump Stations.

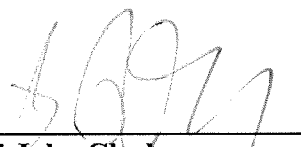
Dianne Curtis asked Supt. Gracia to document all events/occurrences that happened at the Bristol County Agricultural High School Pump Station to give to the Engineers on the B.C.A.H.S. expansion project.

Carol Beauregard stepped down as Chair and motioned to adjourn at 6:18 P.M.; Paul Joly seconded; all ayes. Meeting adjourned.

Respectively Submitted,

Minutes taken by Dianne Curtis. Transcribed by Joelle Anger.


Carol Beauregard, Chairman


Paul Joly, Clerk