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### **Minutes of the Meeting November 18, 2013**

**Present: Michael Pillarella, chairman, Robert Parker, Mark Rogers**

**Keven Desmarais, Data Infrastructure Maintenance**

**Meeting called to order at 10:00 a.m. in the Water Department and reconvened in the Assessors office.**

**Keven Desmarais presented the summary of the DEP Sanitary Survey meeting held on November 15, 2013 at the Department of Environmental Protection Southeast Office in Lakeville, MA. The meeting was attended by, Ryan Trahan and Steve Ohlson of Environmental Partners Group Inc., Roy Maher and Russell Tierney, WhiteWater Inc. Keven Desmarais, Freetown Water Department along with Jim McLaughlin from the DEP.**

#### **Highlights of the Meeting are as followed:**

- 1. Per the 2006 ACO the filter site needs to be made permanent by constructing a building around the canisters.**
- 2. Critical Chemical Compliance and increased security at the filter site needs to be addressed through a permit with the DEP**
- 3. Fire flows at the filter site need to be addressed**
- 4. The need to contact the water customers that are prior to the filter site and offer to install water filters in there dwelling.**
- 5. Deadline to address the outstanding issues in the ACO is December 31, 2013**
- 6. Fall River will not be changing its treatment to chloramines. They sent out lead pipe samples to the EPA for study and it was determined that the lead in their system could not handle the change and meet the Lead and Copper Rule. They will change the ozone treatment but that may not be for some time.**
- 7. A request was made to remove the monthly testing requirement when the filters are off because it is not part of the Stage II testing protocol. DEP seemed amenable to the idea. We will know the outcome when the Sanitary Survey results are finalized.**

**Discussion among the board members followed. The board members agreed that the construction of a building around the filters and comply with the Critical Chemical Permitting the Out of Compliance Order, will go away.**

**Motion made by M. Rogers to look into a RFP to get prices. Seconded by R. Parker. All in favor.**

Also look into the possibility of a Grant for FY15 to defray the cost of installing the building around the filters.

Environmental Partners will have a report ready to present to the Water Department next week.

Discussion regarding authorization of payroll.

Motion made by M. Rogers to have an additional member available to sign the payroll. Seconded by R. Parker. All in favor.

Discussion regarding Mr. Fouquette, 41 Chipaway Rd. Mr. Fouquette is to supply a set of plans and \$14,000.00 prior to turning on the water.

Mr. Desmarais mentioned that in the Water Department regulations, there is no regulation to conduct flow testing on sprinkler systems. This needs to be addressed.

Motion made by M. Rogers to authorize payment for the indirect costs, rent, electric, etc. Seconded by R. Parker. All in favor.

Motion made by M. Rogers to approve the Schedule of Bills Payable. Seconded by R. Parker. All in favor.

Motion M. Rogers to approve the Minutes of the Meeting September 4, 2013. Seconded by R. Parker. All in favor.

Mr. Mark Rogers excused himself from the meeting, he has an appointment to attend.

Motion made by R. Parker to grant abatement to Clifford Morra, 10 Braley Rd for \$661.69 and Cody LaCroix, 143 Braley Rd for \$721.69. There was a problem with meter readings. The meters have been replaced and a new invoice was sent. Seconded by M. Pillarella. All in favor.

Motion made by R. Parker to adjourn. Seconded, M. Pillarella. All in favor.

Respectfully submitted,



Karen Robitaille

