



WATER & SEWER COMMISSION

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Minutes of the Water & Sewer Commission meeting 8.30.22

Meeting held at Town Hall, Assonet, MA

9:00AM Meeting called to order by Bob Parker
Members present: Bob Parker; Paul Sadeck
Member missing: Keven Desmarais
Staff present: Steven Chandler; David Thibodeau

Meeting being audio recorded by Paul Sadeck and Chandler

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Cory Casella

128 Braley Road

- There was an error in billing so Paul Sadeck directed Chandler to enter an abatement for the amount overcharged for the FY22 4th quarter bill. Meter is being read properly now. Customer paid his bill and is current.
 - Bob Parker makes a motion to accept the computation of the misread readings on the meter. Paul Sadeck 2nd. All in favor. Motion carried.

Permanent Bleeder Project

- Project bid has been awarded to K.R. Rezendes. David Thibodeau will speak to Jim Rezendes and see what the plan is to move forward.

Meter Replacement Project

- Project bid will go out at end of this week or next week.

Excel Recycling

- Chandler sent letter and copies of photos to Marty Costa on 8.23.22 as directed. They have 45 days to make the changes.

Neon Gas Station

- Bob Parker left two voicemail messages for Tom [Tighe] of Fall River Water Department but he had not called Bob back yet. He will keep calling Tom.

Hydrant Replacement at Water Street

- Kevin from WinWater will email David Thibodeau with a quote to replace hydrant.
- David states there is a hydrant on Ridge Hill Road that was struck by a vehicle. It is still operational but will be looked at and repaired if needed.

Chipaway Pump Station . Generator

- Bob Parker still needs to get the dimensions, etc. to Chet for the price for a stand.

Testing . Lead & Copper; THM

- David Thibodeau collected all samples but one and will give to WhiteWater rep this week.
 - The one that he does not have was given to a resident who was not at the location in 2019 for the last testing cycle. David spoke with customer who assured David he would collect the sample, but the customer has not followed up with David.
 - Chandler gave phone numbers for two alternate locations.

Abatement

- Paul Sadeck makes a motion to abate a customers bill in the amount of \$17.68. Bob Parker 2nd. All in favor. Motion carried.

Sign Bills

- Bob Parker and Paul Sadeck signed bills.

Approve Minutes

- Paul Sadeck makes a motion to approve the minutes from the 4.12.22, 6.7.22, 6.30.22, and 7.22.22 meetings. Bob Parker 2nd. All in favor. Motion carried.

Other business that properly came before the Board that was not anticipated:

- Bob Parker wants to change the colour of the fire hydrants to yellow with red caps. This topic will be put on hold until a future date.
- Discussion of Braley Road infrastructure work done by Middlesex Corp. They installed insertion valves but the pressure testing company said they would not hold the pressure. This meant that Middlesex Corp had to install two gate valves to allow testing.
 - To ratify an earlier decision that needed to be made after this meeting was posted, Paul Sadeck makes a motion to ratify an earlier decision to allow Middlesex to install new gate valves at the expense of the MBTA in order to let the Braley Road project move forward. Bob Parker 2nd. All in favor. Motion carried.

Paul Sadeck motion to adjourn at 9:31AM. Bob Parker 2nd. All in favor. Meeting adjourned.

Respectfully submitted,



Steven Chandler . Senior Clerk, Freetown Water & Sewer Commission