



# WATER & SEWER COMMISSION

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## Minutes of the Water & Sewer Commission meeting 2/5/2018

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Meeting held at Freetown Town Hall, 3 North Main St, Assonet, MA

10:00AM Meeting called to order by Bob Parker  
Members present: Bob Parker; Paul Sadeck; Brad Paiva  
Staff present: Keven Desmarais; Steven Chandler  
Meeting being recorded by Paul Sadeck and Chandler

### Innovation Way Leak

- Nothing new to report regarding the leak or who owns the water line. David DeManche is still working on this.
- Bob Parker will follow up with David DeManche regarding leak.
- Received a letter from City of Fall River stating that they installed a pressure reducing valve and that it is responsibility of the Town of Freetown to maintain.

### Annual Town Meeting

- Submitting articles:
  - FW&SC operating budget ~ Paul Sadeck makes a motion to approve article. Brad Paiva 2<sup>nd</sup>. All in favor. Motion carried.
  - Permanent bleeders ~ Paul Sadeck makes a motion to approve article. Brad Paiva 2<sup>nd</sup>. All in favor. Motion carried.

### Budget

- Representative Carol Fiola:

### Annual Report

- Chandler to include MassDEP requirements for ACO and send to Ali Golz for inclusion.

### Environmental Partners Group (EPG)

- Board of Selectmen to sign general services contract.
- Brad Paiva makes a motion to recommend that the BOS sign the contract. Paul Sadeck 2<sup>nd</sup>. All in favor. Motion carried.

### Water Line Extension

- Received proposal from EPG regarding details and cost of project.

### **Expanding Sewer Line Connections**

- Received proposal from EPG for sewer study. Chandler to forward to BOS along with the FW&SC's recommendation that the BOS create Article for Annual Town Meeting to approve funding to move forward on study.

### **Update System Fee Schedule**

- The fee to conduct a final read, usually as part of a MLC, shall be reduced.
- Brad Paiva makes a motion to reduce the final read fee to \$45 from \$85 for any and all final reads. Paul Sadeck 2<sup>nd</sup>. All in favor. Motion carried.

### **MassDEP and Filtration Site**

- Keven Desmarais has disconnected the filters. He will schedule the removal of charcoal in the spring.
- Keven to bring ACO response to MassDEP this week. He shall add in knowledge of the leak at Innovation Way and that the FW&SC is working to determine who owns the line.
- FW&SC received the Certificate for Payment No. 2 (final) and close out documents for the bypass valve at the water filtration site.

### **Land at Ashland/ISP**

- Bob Parker spoke with Erik at Ashland regarding a 21E document and Erik has not found anything.
  - It is decided that it is not needed for the purpose of use for the FW&SC.
  - Chandler to draft a letter of finding to be sent to the BOS after review by the Commission.

### **Churchill & Banks**

- Keven Desmarais asked them about the increased water amount and they met with City of Fall River.
- Bob Parker spoke with John Friar about increasing GPD provided to the Town of Freetown. John said he is going to get the okay from Terry Sullivan. Bob will follow up with John.

### **Approve and Sign Abatement**

- Abatement for water charges to the Freetown Fire Department. Paul Sadeck makes a motion to approve abatement. Brad Paiva 2<sup>nd</sup>. All in favor. Motion carried.

### **Chandler Change of Status**

- Paul Sadeck makes a motion to approve. Brad Paiva 2<sup>nd</sup>. All in favor. Motion carried.

### **Regular Business**

- Approve minutes:
  - December 14, 2017; January 5, 2018; January 23, 2018
  - Brad Paiva makes a motion to approve. Paul Sadeck 2<sup>nd</sup>. All in favor. Motion carried.
- Sign bills

Brad Paiva makes motion to adjourn. Paul Sadeck 2nd. All in favor. Motion carried. Meeting adjourned.

Respectfully submitted,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Steven Chandler', with a long horizontal flourish extending to the right.

Steven Chandler

Senior Clerk

Freetown Water & Sewer Commission