

WATER & SEWER COMMISSION

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Minutes of the Water & Sewer Commission meeting 3.14.23

Meeting held at Town Hall, Assonet, MA

9:00AM

Meeting called to order by Bob Parker

Members present:

Bob Parker, Chairman; Paul Sadeck Commissioner

Member not present: Keven Desmarais

Staff present:

Steven Chandler; David Thibodeau

Meeting being audio recorded by Paul Sadeck and Chandler

Annual Statistical Report

• Chandler and David finished compiling information need for ASR and Chandler sent it to WhiteWater for them to enter and send the form to MassDEP.

Bill for Basement Cleanup

- Customer's finished basement had water due to the installed meter fittings not tightened properly.
 - o After a great deal of communication between David Thibodeau and the customer's caretaker, the caretaker called their own resource to clean up the water because they did not want to wait a day for Baystate Winsupply, the meter installers, to do it.
 - o Steve Vaccaro of Baystate Winsupply said they will pay the invoice.
 - o A portion of the carpet was damaged and needs to be replaced which is between customer and Baystate.
- Paul Sadeck makes a motion to send the invoice to Steve Vaccaro at Baystate Winsupply. Bob Parker 2nd. All in favor. Motion carried.

Meter Replacement Project

- FW&SC has received invoices for fittings for meters being installed by Baystate Winsupply which are to be supplied by them as part of the contract.
 - o Per Commissioners, Chandler will forward all invoices for parts to Steve Vaccaro.
- Weekly, Steve sends the list of all meters replaced and Chandler sends them to Paul Sadeck.
- David has dropped off notices to those customers who have not contacted Winsupply to schedule their meter replacement.

Chipaway Pump Station. Generator and Leak

- The bid has been posted and proposals are due by March 22, 2023.
- Bob Parker will be at the pump station on March 20th at 11:00am in case contractors want to see it before they submit their proposal.
- Chandler received and invoice from Gurney Saw Mill for wood and he confirmed it is to form the concrete pad for the generator.

Hydrant Repair and Replacement

• David Thibodeau has a list of hydrants to be replaced. Left a message with Jim Rezendes and waiting to hear back.

Permanent Bleeder Project

• Bob Parker left a message for Jim Rezendes but has not heard back. He will call again.

Infrastructure Needs

• At the request of Deb Pettey, Inturim Town Administrator, David Thibodeau emailed a list of needs and cost at to her.

Space Needed for Department

• The Freetown Water & Sewer Commission needs an office space three times is current footprint.

Approve Minutes

- Paul Sadeck makes a motion to adopt minutes from 1.5.22. Bob Parker 2nd. All in favor. Motion carried.
- Paul Sadeck makes a motion to adopt minutes from 2.9.23 and 2.14.23. Bob Parker 2nd. All in favor. Motion carried.

Abatements

- Chandler presented two abatements for approval.
 - o 3 Quanapoag Road in amount of \$1,918.97.
 - o 198 Braley Road in amount of \$217.90.
- Paul Sadeck makes a motion to approve both abatements. Bob Parker 2nd. All in Favor. Motion carried.

Sign Bills

• Bob Parker and Paul Sadeck signed bills.

Paul Sadeck motion to adjourn at 10:02AM. Bob Parker 2nd. All in favor. Meeting adjourned.

Respectfully submitted,

Steven Chandler, Senior Clerk

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