

TOWN OF MEDWAY WATER & SEWER COMMISSION MEDWAY, MASSACHUSETTS

Commissioners

Leo O'Rourke, Chair Robert Wilson, Member Francis E. (Ted) Kenney Jr., Member

Meeting Minutes

APPROVED 06/19/17

May 15, 2017

DPS Conference Room 45B Holliston Street Medway MA 02053

Present: Bob Wilson, Leo O'Rourke, Ted Kenney, Barry Smith and Program Administrator Judi LaPan.

Leo O'Rourke makes a motion to open the Water/Sewer Commissioners meeting at 5:00 PM. Bob Wilson seconded, unanimous vote.

Bob Wilson makes a motion to approve the minutes from the April 13, 2017 meeting. Leo O'Rourke seconded.

Abatements Requests: 23 Ellis Street – Matthew & Melissa Greenfield – The homeowners had a leak in a toilet. The homeowners are requesting an abatement due to the financial hardship this high bill creates and the fact that they were unaware that the need to jiggle the handle in the basement toilet was causing such a problem. They did not realize the extent of the leak until they received the high bill. They shut the valve off to the toilet until they were able to replace the flapper. This is a water only account. They were billed for 6,890cf of water used. The homeowners use an average of 2,596 cf per quarter. This leak represents approximately 4,294 cf of lost water. If an abatement were granted the value would be approximately \$336.89. The breakdown is as follows: \$336.89 for water. Half of the value would be \$168.45 for water for a total of \$168.45.

Bob Wilson made a motion to approve the abatement as written above. Leo O'Rourke seconded the motion. Unanimous .

Water & Sewer Fees:

Barry Smith presented the Commissioners with the updated FY18 Fee Schedule.

Ted Kenney made a motion to approve the FY18 Water & Sewer fees. Bob Wilson seconded the motion. Unanimous.

Directors Report:

Barry Smith discussed the fact that we will be mailing out the Consumer Confidence Report (CCR) prior to June 30, 2017. We are also working on a Water Conservation Packet to send to all customers.

Barry Smith informed the Commissioners that we are working with Haley & Ward about treatment options. Water treatment is an issue that needs to be addressed; however the water quality is assured. There is confusion amongst our consumers between manganese levels and brown water and iron. Leo O'Rourke mentions that the Kleinfelder report speaks to this subject. L Leo O'Rourke asks if the CCR speaks to this? Barry Smith says yes, it does.

Barry Smith informed the Commissioners that he is still working on the reporting software for residents. He also informed the Commissioners the Populatic Well has been pulled, cleaned, repaired, a new VFD has been installed and the well is running extremely well.

Open Discussion:

The next meeting is scheduled for May 30, 2017 at 5PM. The meeting will be held at the DPS Conference Room, 45B Holliston Street.

Leo O'Rourke *made a motion to adjourn at 6:45 PM. Ted Kenney seconded. Unanimous vote.*Respectfully submitted
Judi LaPan