

**BOARD OF WATER COMMISSIONERS
NOVEMBER 4, 2009
MEETING ROOM 105**

Present: Jared Adams, Jeff Weise, Dennis Ferreira, Doug Valovcin, Ron Sharpin

Dave Keating arrived at 6:15pm.

Meeting began at 6:30pm.

HIGH WATER BILL

Harold Frolich of 82 Anne Marie Drive appeared before the board to discuss his water bill. He informed the board that he has fixed his leaking toilet and asked for help in paying his high water bill. Mr. Adams offered a payment plan option and told Mr. Frolich that he could contact the office staff to set up a plan. Mr. Frolich left the meeting.

SERVICE LINE FEE - STATUS

John Foster of 45 Fiske Street did not attend the meeting. Mr. Valovcin reported that there are no records of a stub being installed at 39 Fiske Street. The prior owner had declined the stud offer from the developer. Mr. Sharpin told Mr. foster by phone that the department is still researching the issue.

EASEMENT TO MOUNT HOLLIS TANK – STATUS

Joseph Antonellis, Special Town Counsel, will not be attending tonight's meeting. He is investigating the easement to the Mt. Hollis tank.

NON-METERED PROPERTIES – STATUS

Mr. Adams had the orders of judgement for the last property owner who has refused the installation of a new meter. A trust comprised of siblings owns the property. The executor of the trust(one of the siblings) has requested that the water be shut off even one sibling resides in the house. The board asked Mr. Sharpin to request a certified copy of the appointment and a letter "in writing" that requests the shut-off.

Tricia Keating arrived at 7:00pm

DEP NOTICE OF DETERMINATION

Mr. Sharpin updated the board on the drilling completed this week at Well #2. Drilling a Well #4 is expected to be completed on November 5, 2009. Mr. Valovcin will determine is Well #2 can be completed first, and the Superintendent will verify the statements made by the DEP about e.coli. The board agreed that the "contact time" should be increased.

MOUNT HOLLIS TANK FENCE - STATUS

So far, bids for fencing at the Mt. Hollis tank have been about \$23,000.00. The fence will be installed when the bidding process is closed.

OAK STREET TANK – STATUS

So far, bids for fencing at the Oak Street tank have been about \$10,000. The fence will be installed when the bidding process is closed.

Work continues on the Oak Street tank. Mr. Valovcin reported that the department AMSTAR of Western New York is currently working on a punchlist.

WELL #6 - STATUS

A new motor has been ordered for the well after the old motor shorted out. The raw water color is currently “70”.

There is no report yet from Hungerford & Terry concerning the mixed media.

One of the experts believes that the well has the wrong-sized media.

Mr. Valovcin indicated that Ali Parand, Lenny McCall, and Hungerford & Terry are not offering options to the department.

Mr. Valovcin will confer with Ali and Lenny about Hungerford and Terry’s current status. Earthtech personnel will ask Larry Gilmartin to look at Well #6.

CEDAR STREET BOOSTER STATION – REPLACEMENT STATUS

Mr. Sharpin wants to obtain an agreement to document the current status on the land issue for a new booster station to replace the Cedar Street Booster Station. The board agreed and Mr. Sharpin will pursue the document. Due to the current state of the budget, the department does not know when the replacement can be accomplished.

WELL # 7 - STATUS

Mr. Adams told the board that the status of Well #7 has been listed as “non-critical” by the Army Corps of Engineers. The board decided on the following:

Write a letter which contains the chronology of the development of Well #7
and the current situation of the town’s water supply

Request Holliston Selectmen to contact Senator Kerry and Congressman Jim McGovern to request a meeting

Mr. Sharpin will document the current situation and the board plans to request that Jon Beekman to create the chronology of the development. The letter would be sent to all Massachusetts Senators and Congressmen.

PUMPED VS METERED WATER

There is a 20% discrepancy between a manual calculation of water pumped and the amount of water that SCADA reported pumped, during the months of July and August. The board reviewed a report from Mr. Sharpin. Both calculations were exactly the same for June and September. Mr. Sharpin is to pursue that anomaly with the SCADA contractor.

CELLULAR ANTENNA RFP - STATUS

Mr. Sharpin met with Paul LeBeau, and representatives from Verizon and Metro PCS to discuss the Cellular Antenna RFP which has been legally posted. The companies had questions about the easements to Hopping Brook Road and Fairlane Way. Mr. LeBeau will ask Joseph Antonellis, Special Town Counsel, about the easement.

SYSTEM OPERATOR POSITION

The deadline for the System Operator position is November 30, 2009. The Water Department has received six applications as of today.

MINUTES REVIEW

The minutes of September 21, 2009 OPEN SESSION were reviewed at the meeting.

Mr. Adams made a motion: **“Motion to accept the minutes of the September 21, 2009 OPEN SESSION as written”**

Mr. Ferreira seconded the motion.

Mr. Weise, Mr. Adams, and Mr. Ferreira voted in favor of the motion.

The minutes of September 21, 2009 EXECUTIVE SESSION were reviewed at the meeting.

Mr. Adams made a motion: **“Motion to accept the minutes of September 21, 2009 EXECUTIVE SESSION as written”**

Mr. Ferreira seconded the motion.

Mr. Adams, Mr. Ferreira, and Mr. Weise voted in favor of the motion.

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The minutes of September 22, 2009 were reviewed at the meeting.

Mr. Adams made a motion: **“Motion to accept the minutes of September 22, 2009
As written”**

Mr. Ferreira seconded the motion.

Mr. Ferreira, Mr. Adams, and Mr. Weise voted in favor of the motion.

INVOICES AND CHANGE ORDERS

Invoices and change orders were signed at the meeting.

Mr. Weise made a motion: **“Motion to adjourn”**

Mr. Ferreira seconded the motion.

Mr. Adams, Mr. Ferreira, and Mr. Weise voted in favor of the motion.

The meeting adjourned at 8:20pm.

Next BWC meeting – Wednesday, November 18, 2009 at 6:30pm

Respectfully submitted,

Tricia Keating

Clerk

Approved 12/15/09 as amended

Board of Water Commissioners Meeting

November 4, 2009

(Meeting to start at 6:30 PM in Room #105)

- **Public Comments – (6:30- 7:00)**
 - *John Foster-45 Fiske Street-Service Line Fee-Status
 - *Harold Frolich-82 Ann Marie Drive-High Water Bill
- **Joseph Antonellis-Easement to Mt Hollis Tank-Status-(7:00-7:05)**
 - *Cost Sharing
 - *Surveying
- **Non-metered properties-Lien status-(7:05-7:10)**
- **DEP Notice of Determination-(7:10-7:15)**
 - *Well #2-TV Results
- **Water Department Activities – (7:15-8:15)**
 - *Storage Tank- Mt Hollis-Fence
 - *Storage Tank-Oak Street
 - Status
 - Fence
 - *Well #2 – status
 - *Well #4 – status
 - *Well #6 – status
 - *Turner Road booster station – status
 - *Pumped vs Metered Water
 - *Cellular Antenna RFPs
 - *Operator Position-notice
- **Invoices and Minutes – (8:15-8:30)**
- **Adjourn – (8:30)**

Next BWC Meeting – November 18, 2009 @ 6:30PM @ Town Hall