



TOWN OF SUNAPEE
WATER AND SEWER COMMISSION
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**Board of Commissioners Meeting
April 30, 2020
Sunapee Town Office Meeting Room**

PRESENT: Theodore Gallup-Chairman, Charles Hirshberg, Jimmy Williams, Richard Curtis, Douglas Gamsby, Jeffrey Reed.

Also present: David Bailey and Holly Leonard.

The Chairman called the meeting to order at 5:30 p.m.

1. Letter of Resignation: David B. stated that he had received a letter of resignation from Anthony Bergeron. He read the letter. Jeffrey R. made a motion to accept Tony Bergeron's resignation, seconded by Richard C., Theodore G. stated that Tony would like to stay in the loop and continue to receive a Commission packet each month, the roll call was unanimous.
2. Election of Officers: Richard C. nominated Theodore G. to remain as Chairman, seconded by Jeffrey R., roll call was unanimous.
Richard C. nominated Jimmy W. to serve as Vice-Chairman, seconded by Douglas G., after Jimmy W. confirmed that he was willing to perform the duties of Vice-Chairman, polled unanimously.
3. Forms for Signing:
February 27, 2020 Meeting Minutes: Douglas G. made a motion to accept the Meeting Minutes of February 27, 2020, seconded by Jimmy W., polled unanimously in favor, so declared by the Chairman.
February & March Sewer Purchase Journal: Douglas G. made a motion to accept the Sewer Purchase Journal from February through March, seconded by Jimmy W., after some discussion regarding biosolids handling and if the cost of the handling will remain steady or not, polled unanimously in favor, so declared by the Chairman.
February & March Water Purchase Journal: Douglas G. made a motion to accept the Water Purchase Journal for February through March, seconded by Charles H., after some discussion regarding the deposit made to the Capital Reserve fund and Underwood Engineers contract for TTHM remediation, polled unanimously in the affirmative, so declared by the Chairman.
4. Wastewater Treatment Highlights: Dave B. reported that there had been what is called a nitrite break and that this had caused an e-coli violation for the geometric mean in March. He stated that this is supposedly common although he has never had it happen in Sunapee before. Dave B. stated that there had been some grease issues at the Treatment Plant and that it most likely stems from people cooking at home and not disposing of grease and oils correctly. He stated that it was extremely bad a Granliden pump station and that the

department had cleaned the siphon chamber also in hopes of alleviating the problems. There was some discussion regarding the issue and how to combat the problem. Dave B. reported that the biological uptake of phosphorus trials is starting to work better but that it is still an ongoing experiment. Jimmy W. questioned if there are more problems being experienced due to the higher population in the area due to Covid 19. Dave B. responded that it could be. Charles H. questioned if dewatering using the different PAC is going to realize the same percent solids of sludge as was being seen before and if it might affect the volumes of sludge being generated. Dave B. replied that he does not think that there will be too much of a difference with the volume of sludge or the percent solids in it.

Dave B. presented that the proposed centrifuge maintenance and service contract with GEA should be looked into and acted upon. There was some discussion regarding what is included with the proposed contract as far as the major and minor services listed. Jimmy W. feels that the Commission should go with the contract, Theodore G. agrees with that. Douglas G. made a motion to accept the centrifuge maintenance contract with GEA dated 3-26-20, seconded by Charles H., after some discussion regarding the costs of services, the way the contract was priced out and who would come out to the plant for repairs in the event of a malfunction, polled unanimously in favor, so declared by the Chairman. Dave B. reported that the upgrades were done on Pump Stations 10, 11, 12, and 9 and that Pump Station 9 had a pump that was making a lot of racket and it had been sent out to be fixed and that it came back about 2 months ago and now it seems to be working fine. Dave B. stated that the crew has been doing some siding and other repairs at Pump Station 3 and that it is coming along fine. He said that they are working on some electrical conduit issues and that today's rain had caused work to be held off on this.

5. Water Treatment Highlights: Dave B. reported that there had been a question from the State on the bidding documents for the TTHM removal construction and that this is holding up going out to bid on the project. There was some discussion regarding the State and deadlines. Dave B. stated that hydrants are being flushed at night this week and that this seems to be going very well. He reported that a hydrant on Lake Avenue in Georges Mills had been replaced last week at night and the project had gone very well.

6. Old & New Business:

Dave B. presented that Stephen Nix has passed his CDL and that he is proving to be a good, conscientious worker.

Sewer Bond Fees: Holly L. reported that the State had come through with some previously unavailable grant funds for the Perkins Pond project and the Upgrade Project and that these amounts will allow the bond fees to be reduced. The Sewer Upgrade Bond will be sufficient at \$16 every six months instead of \$30, and that 2 years of the amortization for the Perkins Pond Bond fee were able to be reduced for those users as shown on the new schedule presented. There was some discussion regarding the grants being specifically to reduce those bond repayments. Douglas G. made a motion to accept the Grant Funds from the State for Perkins Pond and the Upgrade Bond, and to adjust the bond fees as allowed by this, seconded by Jimmy W., polled unanimously in favor, so declared by the Chairman.

1st Rent Collectors Warrants 2020: Theodore G. stated that the Water Rent Collectors Warrant was in the amount of \$250,467.48 and that the Sewer Rent Collectors Warrant

was in the amount of \$329,316.18. Jeffrey R. made a motion to accept the Rent Collector's Warrants as read for Water and Sewer, seconded by Douglas G., polled unanimously in favor, so declared by the Chairman.

Dave B. stated that he had spoken with Braden Miles regarding the possibility of him serving on the Commission again and that he had stated that he would be willing to for the coming year. The Commission would like to wait until the next meeting to make any decisions regarding filling the vacancy from the resignation of Anthony B. There was some discussion regarding recognizing Anthony B. for his years of service.

The next meeting is scheduled for May 28, 2020 not May 29 as was reflected in the agenda.

6:25 p.m. Douglas G. made a motion to adjourn, seconded by Charles H., voted unanimously in the affirmative, so declared by the Chairman.

Submitted by Holly Leonard.

Approved by the Water & Sewer Commission this _____ day of _____, **2019.**

Theodore Gallup-Chairman

Charles Hirshberg

Richard Curtis

Jeffrey Reed

Jimmy Williams

Douglas Gamsby