



TOWN OF SUNAPEE
WATER AND SEWER COMMISSION
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**Board of Commissioners Meeting
May 31, 2018
Sunapee Town Offices Meeting Room**

PRESENT: Theodore Gallup-Chairman, Richard Curtis, J. Anthony Bergeron, Douglas Gamsby, Braden Miles.

Also present: Holly Leonard, David Bailey, David Cowdrey.

The Chairman called the meeting to order at 5:32 p.m.

1. Forms for Signing:

April 19, 2018 Meeting Minutes: Anthony B. made a motion to accept the minutes, seconded by Braden M., voted unanimously in the affirmative, so declared by the Chairman.

April Sewer Purchase Journal: Anthony B. made a motion to accept the Sewer Purchase Journal, seconded by Braden M., voted unanimously in favor, so declared by the Chairman.

April Water Purchase Journal: Douglas G. made a motion to accept the Water Purchase Journal, seconded by Braden M., voted unanimously in favor, so declared by the Chairman.

GAS 36 Abatement Request: Holly L. presented that the meter at the address had been installed backward resulting in an erroneously huge amount of water use that had been missed during the checking of the meter readings Anthony B. made a motion to approve the abatement request for 36 Garnet Street, seconded by Braden M., voted unanimously in the affirmative, so declared by the Chairman.

LAS 79-GAR Abatement Request: Holly L. explained that the previous reading date had been 2016 so the software billed for several years instead of just one. Anthony B. made a motion to accept the abatement request for 79 Lake Avenue, seconded by Braden M., voted unanimously in favor, so declared by the Chairman.

2. Water Treatment Highlights: Dave B. reported that there had been a few issues with getting the summer water lines turned on, but that they had been turned on a day before the 15th so they were right on schedule, Dave B. stated that there had been a repair on Jobs Creek Road where water had been leaking all last summer and also the line from Norcross Road to Stone End Road had been repaired prior to the summer lines being turned on. He stated that there is still some work that needs to be done on Garnet Hill but that they would have to be done at a later date. Dave B. reported that there is an issue in the harbor at the Memorial Garden and that the Department will be having to take out the yard hydrant and may possibly have to utilize the vactor to remove a culvert sized amount of soil so that someone can do the repair. There was some discussion regarding it possibly being able to wait until after the summer.

Dave B. stated that some money is being spent at Harbor Hill to replace the 13 or so year-old turbidity meter at around \$3,000 and for a new control panel for Georges Mills Well site at approximately \$2,500. Dave B. stated that the TTHM issue is still a problem and that the last compliance test has resulted in violation. He stated that he did speak with Randal Suozzo about testing elsewhere and that there had been a sample tested taken at Belletettes and the different location still had a high TTHM result.

Dave B. reported that there have been quite a few dirty water complaints and that he had met with several customers regarding this. He stated that he does not think that this is a safety issue but that it is most likely corrosion from the inside of the pipes and that it may have been caused by the discontinuation of adding the phosphorus blend as corrosion control approximately 5 years ago. Dave B. did receive a scope of services quote from Mike Metcalf of Underwood Engineers for them to make recommendations about how to solve the rusty water in the amount of \$5,200. There was some discussion regarding the age of the pipes, and if these lines in question are original. Anthony B. made a motion to allow Dave B. to sign the contract with Underwood, seconded by Douglas G., after some discussion regarding what would end up happening to alleviate the problem and what other chemicals may be used for corrosion control, voted unanimously in the affirmative, so declared by the Chairman.

Sanitary Survey: Dave B. stated that he thought the results of the sanitary survey had come through OK and that the recommendations were minor, the only thing that he thinks needs addressing right away is the removal of the curb stop that was installed for chlorination of the new configuration for the pipes from the concrete tank to the steel tank. He also stated that the tanks are due to be inspected again this year and that the last time it had been done was 2013 and it should happen every 5 years. Douglas G. questioned the mention of the tanks getting below the 18 foot level and people loosing their water service, Dave B. explained what the issue is with this and there was some discussion regarding higher elevation water lines. There was some discussion regarding the High School Ball field watering and water supply issues in these same areas.

3. Wastewater Treatment Highlights:

Dave B. reported that manholes had been redone on North Road with the new rings and epoxy, and that this had seemed to go pretty well and will hopefully last for quite a while. He stated that a couple of sewer hook ups had been done this month and that the department is working on new propane lines for the pump stations. Dave B. reported that the plant has been running pretty good and that DES personnel have been there a lot and that it finally seems like the phosphorus levels may be turning around. Dave B. has had A/D Instruments install the Sludge Blanket Indicators and that they will be coming back to program these numbers into the scada system. Dave B. reported that the State Inspection had been done by Jocelyn Henry and that he thinks the report will be pretty good. She also looked at Pump Station 12 as it is going to be upgraded soon. Dave B. stated that there had been a preconstruction meeting Wednesday for the Pump Station Upgrade and that RD had stated that the funding will be pulled after September. Daniels would like to start the project just after the 4th of July and that the only hold up seems to be with getting the generator. Dave B. stated that he has a bypass pumping plan that Daniel's had supplied, and there was some discussion regarding changing out the electricity at Pump Station 12 and installing new poles. Dave B. stated that the pumps at Pump Station 8 have been rebuilt and reinstalled and that this has made a big difference in the amount of time to pump. He is intending to see how much money is left in the

Collection budget later in the year and maybe be able to do the pumps at Pump Station 9 before the end of the year.

4. Old & New Business:

The Chairman stated that there was a member of the public in attendance and questioned what they may like to discuss. David Cowdry stated that he is a resident at 27 Piney Point Rd and that they can't afford to attach to the sewer, with estimates for the connection at about \$14,000. Theodore G. stated that the Commission does not have the ability to circumvent the laws of the state and make any further extensions of time for connecting to the sewer. He stated that once the Town voted to do the project that it is the Commission's responsibility to get the project done and that Commission Counsel has already been advising what the next steps are to ensure everyone attaches. There was some discussion regarding maybe getting some other contractors to give quotes as what was stated sounds rather high and other possible options for funding that may be available.

2018 Budgets to Date:

Holly L. stated that she had included the budgets to keep the Commission up to date on how the budgets are holding up so far this year.

The next meeting will be held June 28th.

6:29 p.m. Douglas G. made a motion to adjourn, seconded by Anthony B., voted unanimously in the affirmative, so declared by the Chairman.

Submitted by Holly Leonard.

Approved by the Water & Sewer Commission this _____ day of _____, **2018.**

Theodore Gallup-Chairman

Braden Miles

David Cain

Richard Curtis

Anthony Bergeron

Jimmy Williams

Douglas Gamsby