



TOWN OF PAXTON Water Commissioners Minutes of Meeting

Date: Thursday, July 21, 2011

Time: 7:00pm

Meeting Place: John Bauer Senior Center, 17 West Street, Paxton, MA 01612

Attendees: Jack Malone, Commissioner, Rodney Jenkins Commissioner, Mike Putnam, DPW Superintendent, Travis Thibault, Water Working Foreman, Carol Riches, Town Administrator

Absent: Dave Trulson, Commissioner

New Commissioner

- Chairman welcomed Rodney Jenkins as the new Water Commission to replace Charles Bolster Jr.

Meeting Minutes

- **Motion (JM) second (RJ) to accept the regular meeting minutes of June 23, 2011. Unanimous all in favor.**

Water Meters

- (MP) stated that he had purchased 36 new meters with hertz at a cost of \$5,442. Starting FY13 would like to rotate new meters in over 10 year period.

Account Balances

- (CR) provided (MP) with FY11 figures. Highlighted the fact that revenues were okay this year due to the \$132,000 connect fee from AMC and the diligent pursuit of past due collections. (JM) asked that we look at revised water rates.
- (MP) updated Water Commissioners on FY12 account balances, expected to need transfers within accounts.

Tank Repairs

- Asnebumskit tank cleaned with robot. Going out for quotes on repair of the tank (cracks.)
- Maple Street tank cleaned and repaired.
- Consideration should be given to sandblasting and recoating and fixing the outside of the tank. Looking at an estimated cost of \$400,000.

Booster Pump Station

- Replaced 2 pumps with another pump.

Leak Detection

Discussed water loss and working with Mass Rural Water to work on leak detection.
(TT) recently located a leak on Camp Street that had existed for possibly over 1½ years.

AMC

Grove Street project is complete. Resurfacing to take place summer 2012. With the replaced line from 12" to 8", preliminary flow tests show an increase from 675 to 1100. Expect an even better flow when the Maple Street tank is back on line.

Worcester Water

- Still working with Worcester Water for a reduction in rates.

Hydrant Flushing

- Going to start hydrant flushing in September.

CCR Report

- Complete

Next meeting August 18, 2011.

Motion (JM) seconded (RJ) to adjourn meeting at 8:10 p.m.

Respectfully submitted

Carol Riches, Town Administrator

Accepted Water Commissioners:

John Malone

David Trulson

Rodney Jenkins