



TOWN OF PAXTON Water Commissioners Minutes of Meeting

Date: Thursday, July 11, 2013

Time: 7:00pm

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

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

Fiscal Year 2013 Budget

- No problems with accounts and expected surplus of over \$100,000 in Worcester Water.

Travis Thibault, Water Foreman

- Detected a leak in a 6 inch pipe on Camp Street
- Surface break on West Street
- Looking into a possible repair on Monticello, planning on using a camera in the line, with a view to digging and repairing next week
- Flushing complete used ½ million gallons on spring flushing
- CCR report complete and submitted to the DEP. A couple of minor concerns regarding the viewing of the report but was able to rectify.
- Main installed, with a triple gate and testing took place at the senior development on Holden Road/Grove Street. No chlorine was present; company is coming into inject. A retest will then be conducted.

Unaccounted water has reduced:

Period	Pumped	Unaccounted	Overall Percentage
January – June 2012	52.6 million gallons	14.3 million	27%
January – June 2013	41.3 million gallons	6 million	14.5%

Michael Putnam, DPW & Water Superintendent

- Reviewed the final fiscal year 2014 budget.
- Stated that (TT) was 99% sole on-call personnel for water and would like to increase the weekly stipend from \$200 to \$300. This would go with the position if anyone else had to stand-in to cover (TT) vacations etc.

- **Motion (RJ) seconded (DT) to increase the monthly standby stipend from \$200 to \$300. Unanimous all in favor.**
- (MP) shared with the commission the benefits of being part of the stormwater coalition and the recent mapping with the Leica unit that he had been able to accomplish through this grant.
- (MP) stated that CodeRed is up and running and he was almost in a position to use for the recent West Street water break, but it was'nt needed.
- (CR) informed the commission that Tata & Howard stated that the SRF grant application for a new Maple Street water tank will be ready next week. This is to be submitted in August.
- **Motion made (RJ) seconded (DT) to place an article on the next special town meeting for funding for the engineering for the Maple Street Tank project. Unanimous all in favor.**

Motion (JM) seconded (RJ) to adjourn meeting at 8:05pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Carol Riches, Town Administrator

Accepted Water Commissioners:

John Malone