



TOWN OF PAXTON Water Commissioners Minutes of Meeting

Date: Thursday, August 2, 2012

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 Superintendent, Travis Thibault, Water Foreman, Carol Riches, Town Administrator

Minutes

- Motion (RJ) seconded (DT) to accept the June 28, 2012 meeting minutes. Unanimous all in favor.

James O'Donough, 17 Brooks Road: Request for Water Connection

- Mr. O'Donough currently on a well but has concerns with the water pressure and with running dry. Apparently only has a shallow well. (MP) provided a price for a water connection to his property which involves an extension of a 300 ft line. (MP) stated that his department would be willing to do the work to the property line. Estimated cost \$17,000-\$18,000 consisting of \$5,000 connection fee, \$9,500 for pipe materials and \$3,000 for road materials. (MP) highlighted additional costs that may occur such as police details, pressure test, private contractor for connection to house etc.

Due to the cost of the connection the Water Commissioners discussed various options, and suggested that Mr. O'Donough talk with his neighbors to see if they would be interested in connecting to Town water to share the cost of running the line.

Mr. O'Donough will review his options and inform the board of his decision.

Worcester Water Contract

- (CR) informed the board that Phil Guerin has indicated that the contract should be finalized by the end of August 2012.

Cross Connection Control Program (CCCP)

- (TT) & (MP) reported that they have updated the CCCP plan with the assistance of Dick Kilhart (Mass Rural Water). This has now been submitted to the DEP for their review. The 2004 adopted Cross Connection Bylaw was the basis of this plan.
- (MP) would like to designate (TT) as the CCCP Coordinator.
- Motion (RJ) seconded (DT) to accept the recommendation of (MP). All in favor.
- Motion (JM) seconded (RJ) to accept the revised CCCP plan. All in favor.

- (MP) & (TT) presented a new Paxton Water Dept. Service Charges schedule that they would like to implement to offset some of the costs of the Water Dept. Prices derived by a comparison of the charges in place in other towns.
- Motion (JM) seconded (RJ) to accept the new fee schedule effective August 2, 2012.

AMC Project

- (MP) reported that Grove Street has now been repaved to his satisfaction and he has signed off on this project.

Pump Station

- (TT) reported that the alarm system problem and ventilation system problem have now been rectified.
- (TT) reported water loss less July than previous month DEP would like to see a loss of 10% or less. Stated that large scale meters should be tested based on their size. Discussing prices with Toomey.

Water Tank

- (MP) that they had to call DEP last week as a precaution because they had a bad sample. (TT) started precautionary flushing in the area and following samples were okay.

Infrastructure

- (JM) would like to look into a new water tank on Maple Street. Looking between \$500,000 and \$600,000 to replace.
- Motion (JM seconded (RJ) to move forward with preparing for the May 2013 Annual Town Meeting to replace water tower. All in favor.

Next Meeting

- No date set for next meeting.
- **Motion (JM) seconded (RJ) to adjourn meeting at 8:25pm.**

Respectfully submitted,

Carol Riches, Town Administrator

Accepted Water Commissioners:

John Malone

