

TOWN OF EDGARTOWN

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TOWN OF EDGARTOWN BOARD OF WASTE WATER COMMISSIONERS

MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING OF JUNE 21, 2018

WASTE WATER COMMISSIONERS PRESENT:

Mr. Glen S. Searle, Chairman

Mr. Scott Ellis, Commissioner

Mr. Sean E. Murphy, Commissioner

EWWD STAFF PRESENT:

Mrs. Marisa Boniface, Department Assistant

Mr. Joseph Rock, Plant Operator

Mr. Thompson, Facilities Manager

MEETING CALLED TO ORDER:

The Board of Waste Water Commissioners of the Town of Edgartown held their Regular Meeting on Thursday, June 21, 2018, at 4:00 p.m. in the conference room at the Edgartown Waste Water Treatment Facility, located at 330 West Tisbury Road, Edgartown, Mass. At 4:00 p.m. Chairman Glen S. Searle called the meeting to order.

OLD BUSINESS:

REQUEST FOR SEWER EXTENSION: 73 PENNYWISE PATH (21-124.155).

Thomas C. Rapone, owner of 73 Pennywise Path, had requested to be put on the agenda in the hope of receiving permission to extend the Dark Woods Road line and tie in to the system. "I thought he would be here," stated Facilities Manager Thompson. Mr. Rapone was notified of the meeting; however, he did not show up. Commissioner Sean E. Murphy said, "Since he asked for a hearing, we should wait till he is present." "We will come back to this," said Chairman Searle.

NEW BUSINESS:

ACCEPTANCE: SYNAGRO NORTHEAST RENEWAL AGREEMENT AND HOWLAND DISPOSAL SERVICES AGREEMENT.

Mr. Thompson explained the contract renewals that come due every year. He was happy with both Synagro and Howland, he said. The Board members agreed.

Waste Water Commissioner Commissioner Ellis made a motion to accept Amendment No. 1 to Materials Management Agreement (NE) between the Town of Edgartown and Synagro Northeast, LLC (WW17-21-1); and further, to accept Amendment No. 1 to the Transportation Agreement WW17-21-2 between the Town of Edgartown and Howland Disposal Services, Inc. Commissioner Murphy provided a second, and the motion carried unanimously by voice vote.

ACCEPTANCE: ALERT SCIENTIFIC RENEWAL AGREEMENT

The Facilities Manager said that this Alert Scientific agreement is under \$5,000 but more than \$1,000. It is something he will take care of. No motion was made.

DISCUSSION/VOTE FY18 SEWER USER CHARGES ABATEMENT REQUESTS.

The following are those that qualified for hardship exemptions granted after application and hearing before the Board of Assessors: Gloria Fisk (S0910, Map 20A, Parcel 120, 60 Pine St); Peter B. Van Tassel (S0454, Map 29B, Parcel 34, 119 So Water St); Patricia Rae Allen (S0145, Map 20C, Parcel 150, 50 West Tisbury Rd); Constance Scott (S1038, Map 28, Parcel 150, 42 Martha's Rd); and Ralph Gross (S1045, Map 20C, Parcel 87, 34 Pinehurst Rd).

The last two abatements were for billing issues: William Fielding and Caleb Caldwell (S0683,Map 20C, Parcel 76.2, 26 Hannahs Way B); and William Fielding and Caleb Caldwell (S0682, Map 20C, Parcel 76.1, 30 Hannahs Way A).

Mr. Thompson stated "this is the last batch of abatements for 2018... Most of them are hardships." Sean Murphy questioned about waiving the deadline on 26 Hannahs Way B and 30 Hannahs Way A. Going forward, once you miss the date you need to bring it to the board to make a decision.

Commissioner Murphy made a motion to accept the Sewer Billing Abatements as presented, seconded by Commissioner Ellis. The motion carried unanimously by voice vote.

DISCUSSION/VOTE FY19 SEWER USER RATES.

David Thompson explained the current rates and possible increases. Right now there is an annual BOD base rate seat charge of \$1,425 for all food service establishments, with

additional charges of \$14.25 per seat for those restaurants with seating over 25. Commissioner Murphy said, "Let's not do anything this year." The Board agreed to leave the Sewer User Rates unchanged.

DISCUSSION/VOTE FY19 SEPTAGE RECEIVING RATES.

The Facilities Manager said he didn't think we need to do anything about the current rates. He stated that "we are setting a world record for septage this year."

DISCUSSION/VOTE FY19 MISCELLANEOUS RATES.

Discussion and agreement to keep current rates where they are.

OTHER BUSINESS:

FACILITIES MANAGER'S REPORT.

The Facilities Manager explained some of the items listed on the report.

On Monday, May 7, 2018, Powers Electric was a no-show for the UV install. Mr. Thompson thought it would have been completed by Memorial Day. It will now be done in the fall. The project is in search of an electrician.

There was the promotion for Patrick Hickey to a full operator status as of July 1, 2018.

FINANCIAL REPORTS, INCLUDING SECOND CHAPTER 77 TRANSFER REQUEST.

Mr. Thompson explained the financial costs and the breakdown, also the anticipated increase in costs and the need for additional funds. The Facilities Manager is asking for a transfer from the salary budget to the expenses budget of \$10,000.

Commissioner Murphy made a motion for the transfer of \$10,000 from the FinCom, and Chairman Searle provided a second. The motion carried unanimously by voice vote.

BACK TO THE ITEM FOR OLD BUSINESS:

A decision was made to table the Request for the Sewer Extension for Thomas C. Rapone till the next meeting on July19, 2018

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business, Chairman Searle made a motion to adjourn the regular meeting, which commissioner Ellis seconded. The Regular meeting adjourned at 4:32 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Maris Berujan

Marisa Boniface Department Assistant

APPROVED:

BOARD OF WASTE WATER COMMISSIONERS TOWN OF EDGARTOWN

Glen S. Searle, Chairman

Scott Ellis, Commissioner

Sean E. Murphy, Commissioner