

Minutes of the
Regular Meeting of March 08, 2016

WATER COMMISSIONERS PRESENT:

Mr. James E. Kelleher, Chairman
Mr. John S. Lovewell, Water Commissioner
Mr. David Burke, Water Commissioner

EWD STAFF PRESENT:

Mr. William Chapman, Superintendent
Mr. Shane Ben David, Assistant Superintendent

Others:

Michael Torcia

Meeting Called to Order:

Meeting was called to order by Mr. Kelleher at 3:07 pm

Minutes:

Mr. Lovewell motioned to approve the minutes from the February 9, 2016 meeting. Mr. Burke seconded and the motion carried unanimously.

Michael Torcia:

Mr. Torcia spoke with Mr. Ben David in the summer of 2014 when he was in the process for purchasing land on 8th St. Mr. Torcia paid the \$200.00 cost estimate fee to see what the cost of bringing town water to his property would cost. The first estimate was from the Boulevard up 8th Street. Mr. Torcia did not want to go up 8th street because it would need to be cleared. Mr. Torcia requested an estimate bringing the main across the Edgartown Vineyard Haven Rd to 8th Street. In the spring of 2015 he contacted Mr. Ben David about the estimate. Mr. Ben David informed Mr. Torcia that the estimate price wasn't going to be the same. The estimates are good for 30 days. Mr. Torcia purchased the property believing the Water Department would extend the main. Three days prior to the purchase of the lot Mr. Chapman called and informed Mr. Torcia that the water department would not be doing the extension.

Mr. Torcia came before the Commissioner's hoping to have the Water Department change their decision about doing the extension. Mr. Burke asked if he had received estimates from private contractors. Mr. Torcia has not gotten any written estimates but with talking with contractors, is under the impression that private contractors would be more expensive. Mr. Torcia feels that service should be provided after receiving an estimate from the Water Department. Mr. Torcia also has a \$20,000 retainer with the Board of Health until he has water installed.

Mr. Burke motioned for the commissioners to further discuss this project before making a decision. Mr. Lovewell seconded and the motion carried.

Old Business:

Tank Project:

On April 12th at the special town meeting the water department has an article for \$138,000 to cover the remaining cost to paint the standpipe. World Wide has agreed to hold the price and paint the tank this fall. Mr. Chapman would like to start the painting the second week in September.

New Tank Status:

Patrick O'Neale is revising the current report on the new tank study.

Foreman Position Status:

The revised Foreman job description has been sent to the Personnel Board for review. Mr. Chapman will be meeting with them on 03/09/2016.

NEW BUSINESS:

A.S.R:

A.S.R has been completed along with the Tier II report. Last year there was 13.3% of unaccounted for water. This year it is 5.3%. The CCR is almost complete and will be out the first of April.

Other Business:

The Edgartown Parks Department is interested in the water department's old truck when we purchase a new one.

ADJOURNMENT:

Mr. Lovewell motioned, Mr. Burke seconded and the Commissioners voted unanimously to adjourn the meeting at 4:25 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Lindsey Mercier
Administrative Assistant

APPROVED:

**BOARD OF WATER COMMISSIONERS
TOWN OF EDGARTOWN**

James E. Kelleher, Chairman

John S. Lovewell, Water Commissioner

David Burke, Water Commissioner