

Minutes of the
Regular Meeting of July 09, 2013

WATER COMMISSIONERS PRESENT:

Mr. James E. Kelleher, Chairman
Mr. John S. Lovewell, Commissioner
Mr. Robert L. Burnham, Commissioner

EWD STAFF PRESENT:

Mr. Fred Domont
Mr. Shane A. Ben David, Foreman
Lindsey Mercier, Administrative Assistant

Meeting Called to Order:

Meeting was called to order by Mr. Kelleher at 4:03pm

Minutes:

Minutes from June 19, 2013 were approved by the commissioners.

Old Business:

USDA Garage Project:

Last week Mr. Domont spoke with Ron Koontz of Rural Development. Mr. Koontz spoke with his boss about the funding of the garage project and it was agreed upon that USDA would release funds monthly. Mr. Domont contacted Pam Dolby, town Administrator, and let her know that short term borrowing was not going to be needed. The funds are coming from a grant and not a loan which enables them to payout monthly. The project needs to be completed by October 1, 2013. The commissioners will hold a special meeting on Monday July 22, 2013 at 4:00pm to accept or rejects bids for the garage project.

Standpipe:

The painting of the Edgartown standpipe has been put on hold temporarily.

Hydraulic Model Contract:

Mr. Lovewell feels that the Hydraulic Model is not very clear. Mr. Domont stated that the standpipe dictates the water pressure. Mr. Domont stated that because Oak Bluffs and Edgartown's standpipes are relatively the same height that in theory the pressure should be the same when Edgartown runs off Oak Bluffs standpipe. Mr. Lovewell would like to have a test run. Mr. Domont agrees a test should be run. Mr. Domont will need to contact A/D instruments about a radio signal so a radio frequency can be transmitted to Edgartown to shut the pumps on/off when needed. The commissioners would like to look in to erecting a smaller standpipe to use as a back up when needed.

Enterprise Fund:

This article has been tabled.

NEW BUSINESS:

Oak Bluffs Water Contamination:

Mr. Lovewell is concerned with Lily Pond well because it is at a low elevation and if flooding occurred around Lily Pond that dirty water could be drawn into the system. Mr. Domont stated that would not happen because the well is a gravel pack tubular well that has a sanitary seal on it. Mr. Domont stated that Edgartown does not have well fields like Oak Bluffs.

Bid Opening July 16, 2013:

Bid opening will be July 18, 2013 at 1:30pm.

Abatement Request – Susan & Patrick Fallon:

Susan and Patrick Fallon's requested a 30% abatement on their April 2013 water bill which was high due to an on property leak, which has been repaired. Mr. Lovewell motioned to request the abatement, Mr. Burnham seconded and the motion carried unanimously.

Other Business:

Mr. Domont is questioning who the procurement officer is for the water department. The Town of Edgartown has a procurement officer. Mr. Domont stated that in the 90's the water commissioners and the town selectman appointed the water superintendent, Fred Domont, as the procurement officer for the water department. Mr. Domont has a copy of the water commissioner's minutes appointing Mr. Domont procurement officer.

ADJOURNMENT:

Mr. Lovewell motioned, Mr. Burnham seconded and the Commissioners voted unanimously to adjourn the meeting at 4:45 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Lindsey Mercier
Administrative Assistant

APPROVED:

BOARD OF WATER COMMISSIONERS
TOWN OF EDGARTOWN

James E. Kelleher, Chairman

Robert L. Burnham, Water Commissioner

John S. Lovewell, Water Commissioner