

**Minutes of the**  
**Regular Meeting of October 08, 2013**

**WATER COMMISSIONERS PRESENT:**

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

**EWD STAFF PRESENT:**

Mr. Fred R. Domont, Superintendent  
Mr. Shane A. Ben David, Foreman  
Lindsey Mercier

**Others:**

Paul Cote, Tata & Howard  
Randy Suozzo, Tata & Howard

**Meeting Called to Order:**

Meeting was called to order by Chairman Kelleher at 4:05pm

**MINUTES**

The minutes for September 10, 2013 were approved.

**OLD BUSINESS:**

**USDA:**

With about \$160,000.00 of the remaining funds from the USDA grant the water department has acquired a new meter reading system, track loader and 800 feet of pipe for water main extension.

**NEW BUSINESS**

**Edgartown Parks Dept. / Marilyn Wortman – Robinson Rd Rec Area Water:**

Marilyn Wortman, Parks Administrator, was not able to make the meeting but spoke with Mr. Domont earlier in the day. Mrs. Wortman is interested in having town water brought to the Robinson Rd Rec area. A cost estimate, of \$1,725.87 for material, was faxed to Mrs. Wortman. Mr. Domont stated to Mrs. Wortman that the Water Department policy is when any town department requires the water department's services that department pays for the materials and the water department will supply the labor at no charge.

**Standpipe Borrowing:**

Mr. Domont stated that the water department has some short term borrowing. It's a small amount that will get the water department started on the standpipe painting project. Mr. Domont stated it can pay some bills that have already been submitted from Tata & Howard. Paul Cote has submitted, to Mr. Domont, a cash flow schedule. Mr. Domont forwarded it to Lisa Dickinson. Mr. Domont believes that in a few months they will go out for borrowing again. Mr. Cote is in the process for filling out an application for the borrowing.

Mr. Burnham asked whether or not Mr. Cote was aware that the commissioners have discussed building another standpipe for use during maintenance of the current standpipe and future water use. Mr. Domont received a list of Edgartown properties from town hall that are available for town use or for sale and found one that would work for the water department in size and elevation to put a water tower. A letter of interest was sent to Pam Dolby, Town Administrator.

A discussion was held as to the benefits of having a second water tower. The commissioners requested Mr. Cote to create a proposal for a second tank.

**Meshacket – Removal of Pipes:**

Mr. Lovewell stated he would like the asbestos pipes removed from Meshacket. Mr. Ben David informed him the Tisbury Water Department has a roll off that they are using to dispose of asbestos material. Tisbury has reached out to him to let him know that they had space in their roll off if Edgartown Water had any material they would like to dispose of. Mr. Ben David said they have taken advantage of the offer.

**Letter to Executive Office of Environmental Affairs (EOEA):**

Mr. Lovewell drafted a letter to the EOEA regarding selling of the Shurtleff property now that Nunnepog has been acquired to replace it. Mr. Domont does not feel this is a good idea. He feels that town council needs to be consulted with before a letter is sent. Mr. Kelleher will contact town council. Mr. Lovewell motioned to have the letter signed by the commissioners and sent to EOEA. The motion was not seconded.

**Water System Study – Paul Cote:**

Paul Cote talked about doing an updated master plan. In the past Tata & Howard gave a presentation to the commissioners of a capital efficiency plan. An example was given to the commissioners. Mr. Cote would like to update the map hanging in the office that marks where the water mains are. Mr. Cote stated that some aspects of the report have been done in bits and pieces. Every pipe and component of the pipes would be looked at and be decided what kind of pipe was used and forecast when it would need to be replaced in the future. Based on that information a list would be made to prioritize which need to be replaced soonest and from there maybe coordinate with the Highway Dept to see when roads might be paved or repaved and make our improvements then.

Mr. Cote stated that a cost estimate was given a few years back of \$65,000.00. He said because of some of the resent work done that the cost would drop to about \$62,000.00. Mr. Kelleher questioned whether this report would tie in to a water tower if it is decided one is needed. Mr. Cote stated that it would. Mr. Domont requested it get put on the back burner until a new superintendent is on board because they should have input on this subject. Mr. Domont stated he would be leaving in the spring. Mr. Kelleher stated he would like Mr. Domont's input on this subject because of his knowledge. Mr. Domont stated there was no urgency in the matter. Mr. Domont stated that report from 20 yrs ago needs to be looked at again because not all that was listed on that report has been addressed.

**OTHER BUSINESS:**

Mr. Burnham announced that he would not run for re-election and would most likely be handing in his resignation by the end of the week.

Mr. Domont announced that there is a potential to name a road after Commissioner Burnham. Mr. Domont would like to rename Meshacket Road Burnham Way.

**ADJOURNMENT:**

Mr. Lovewell motioned, Mr. Burnham seconded and the Commissioners voted unanimously to adjourn the meeting at 5:00 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Lindsey Mercier  
Assistant

APPROVED:

BOARD OF WATER COMMISSIONERS  
TOWN OF EDGARTOWN

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James E. Kelleher, Chairman

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Robert L. Burnham, Water Commissioner

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John S. Lovewell, Water Commissioner