

**TOWN OF EDGARTOWN
BOARD OF WASTE WATER COMMISSIONERS
MINUTES OF THE
SPECIAL MEETING OF MARCH 9, 2023**

WASTE WATER COMMISSIONERS PRESENT:

Mr. Glen S. Searle, Chairman
Mr. Scott Ellis, Commissioner
Mr. Walter A. Morrison, Commissioner

EWWD STAFF PRESENT:

Mr. William G. Burke, Facilities Manager
Mr. Joseph Rock, Chief Operator
Mrs. Pia Webster, Administrative Assistant

OTHERS PRESENT:

Mr. Peter Gearhart, Sr Project Manager, Sullivan + Associates Architects
Mr. Robbie Robinson, Chief Contractor, Waterfront Builders Inc.

MEETING CALLED TO ORDER:

The Board of Waste Water Commissioners of the Town of Edgartown held a Special Meeting on Thursday, March 9, 2023, at 3:00 p.m. in the Program Room of the Edgartown Public Library, 26 West Tisbury Road, Edgartown, Mass. At 3:00 p.m. Chairman Glen S. Searle called the meeting to order. Also present from the Board were Waste Water Commissioners Scott Ellis and Walter A. Morrison.

OLD BUSINESS:

REQUESTS FOR ADDITIONAL FLOW IN BUSINESS DISTRICTS [*Continued*].

The Chairman explained that the first set of requests concerned proposals for additional seating in the B-I Business District. An issue had arisen a day earlier, he said, when in discussion among Facilities Manager William G. Burke, Town Administrator James M. Hagerty and Health Agent Matthew E. Poole, it had been agreed that no further requests for flow increases at commercial properties in the B-I and B-II Districts would be granted until the Comprehensive

Wastewater Management Plan had been wrapped up the following October or November. Chairman Searle made a **motion to continue the requests for additional seating at the Seafood Shanty at 31 Dock Street, the Port Hunter at 55 Main Street, and Détente at 15 Winter St Unit 3 until the completion of the CWMP.** Commissioner Ellis offered a second, and the motion carried unanimously by voice vote.

The Board members next took up the request for four additional bedrooms by Mr. Harry LLC at 254 Upper Main Street. With input from Chief Operator Joseph Rock, the point was made that the four-bedroom house already on the site was tied in to the Chase Road-Pinehurst Road line and not the Upper Main Street force main. Commissioner Morrison argued for the Commission waiting until the CWMP had been delivered before reaching a final decision on this request. He then made a **motion to put the request of Mr. Harry LLC on hold pending the completion of the CWMP,** seconded by Commissioner Ellis. The motion carried unanimously by voice vote.

Lastly, the Board considered the request by Lima Holdings LLC for six additional bedrooms at 56 North Summer Street. Commissioner Morrison again recommended that the Commission wait for the final results of the CWMP. Robbie Robinson of Waterfront Builders, Inc., the contractor for Lima Holdings LLC, had some questions about the available flow figures presented by Jessica Cajigas-Smith of Tighe & Bond at the February Regular Meeting. A discussion between Mr. Robinson and Commissioner Morrison ensued for some minutes. Commissioner Morrison made a **motion to continue the request of Lima Holdings LLC for six additional bedrooms at 56 North Summer Street pending the completion of the CWMP,** seconded by Commissioner Ellis. The motion carried unanimously by voice vote.

FACILITIES MANAGER'S REPORT.

Mr. Burke reported on a meeting he and the Chairman had had with the Town Administrator, the Fire Chief, the Building Inspector and the Health Agent at which they had discussed the disparities among Waste Water and those Departments in their respective seat counts for food-service businesses. He had learned that the figures from the Fire Department and the Building Department were the official not-to-be-exceeded numbers used as a basis for alcohol licenses. So it had been decided that the Waste Water Department would align its numbers with the numbers of Fire and Building. Chairman Searle noted that the Board of Health was using grant money to hire a young person to go to all of the food establishments to count all of the seats. At the end of this process, the numbers used by all of the Town Departments would align.

Peter Gearhart of Sullivan + Associates, representing the Seafood Shanty, asked a few questions regarding the number of seats being allowed at that business. Three hundred by Waste Water records, noted Admin Assistant Pia Webster. Two-oh-six inside, ninety-four outside, agreed the Chairman.

Mr. Burke also requested that the Commissioners approve the purchase of a new Kohler transfer switch with an estimated total cost of \$6,779.98, with the funds to be taken from the Wastewater Project Upgrades (CIP) Account [5156/584000]. Commissioner Ellis made a **motion to approve the purchase of the Kohler transfer switch, using funds from the CIP Account,** seconded by Chairman Searle. The motion carried unanimously by voice vote.

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business, the Chairman made a motion to adjourn the Regular Meeting, which Commissioner Ellis seconded; the motion carried by voice vote. The Regular Meeting adjourned at 3:23 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Pia Webster
Administrative Assistant

APPROVED:

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Glen S. Searle, Chairman

Scott Ellis, Commissioner

Walter A. Morrison, Commissioner