

Town of Epping, NH

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Water & Sewer Commissioners
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WATER & SEWER COMMISSION MEETING MINUTES October 2, 2018

Attendance:

Chairman Mike King, Commissioner Bob Bean
W&S Administrator Dennis Koch; W&S Operators Norm Dionne & Jim Pouliot.

1. Call to Order:

Chairman King called the meeting to order at 7:00 PM in the Epping Town Hall.

The Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag followed.

2. Appointments: None.

3. Approval of Minutes:

Motion by Commissioner Bean to accept the minutes of September 4 & 18, 2018 as submitted. Seconded by Chairman King. Motion carried 2-0.

4 Administrator's Report: DK discussed the draft letter by Underwood Engineers regarding DES proposed waterline extension to west Epping. JP spoke to several issues needing comment: the best route would be from Main Street, down St. Laurent St and out Fremont Rd. This would help upgrade the St. Laurent St. waterline which is currently a dead-end with mixed sizes. As for upgrading the Pleasant Street water tower, that is not something we want to do at this time. Should fire suppression be provided? The general consensus is yes.

Water availability was discussed, but it depends on how we interpret the formula.

The 2019 budget worksheets are complete, one last review before presenting to the BOS.

5. Operator's Report: Jim Pouliot says things are running well at the wwtf.

Norm Dionne says the Pleasant Street water tower renovation is coming along well. A new ladder was installed inside the tank due to ice damage of the old ladder. We must consider installing a mixer to avoid future ice damage.

6. Commissioner's Reports:

Chairman King: MK asked if demo has started in the headworks building yet. JP said yes.

MK expressed his displeasure with some of the comments made at the recent Budget Committee meeting, accusing Water and Sewer of not being forthcoming with all the information regarding the septage receiving project. We; with our engineer, did the best we could with the incomplete information we had at the time. We have no reason to mislead the Town. MK feels that the BOS and Budget Committee should work with other boards to solve problems instead of being divisive.

Commissioner Bean: BB asked about the possibility of having solar power at the WWTF. JP thinks it would be expensive to do it.

BB reaffirmed that the Water and Sewer Commissioners are also customers and they are trying to do the right thing for the Town.

**Motion to adjourn made by Commissioner Bean.
Seconded by Chairman King. Motion carried 2–0.
Meeting adjourned at 7:25 pm.**

Respectfully Submitted

Dennis W. Koch Jr.
Water & Sewer Administrator