

# Town of Epping, NH

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## WATER & SEWER COMMISSION MEETING MINUTES February 10, 2015

### **Attendance:**

Chairman Henry DeBoer, Commissioner Mike King, Commissioner Paul Langdon;  
W&S Administrator Dennis Koch; W&S Operator Norm Dionne

### **1. Call to Order:**

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

The Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag followed.

**2. Appointments: Terri Dececca & Patricia Seay of J&C Optical** came in to discuss a large water and sewer bill that resulted from a leaky toilet. They asked for relief from the bill. W&S explained that they are responsible for the bill, as we have real expenses related to pumping water and treating waste water. TD & PS understood and said they would pay the money owed.

**Ian Kasowitz, Stiles Co.**, came in to discuss the Pine & Pond meters. After a history of the project, a discussion followed as to how we move forward with a system that we don't have the technology to read. IK and Stiles have an agreement that IK will read the meters every quarter and supply the data to the W&S office.

Currently, the price to purchase the electronic reader, software and training is \$9,000.00. IK will talk to Badger & Stiles and get back to us with a better price.

Moving forward, Stiles can sell new meters & radio read heads for \$185.00 (mechanical) and \$220.00 (mag). 20 year battery life/20 year warranty, no labor included.

Average residential installation is \$65.00 - \$100.00.

**Rob Graham & Chris Albert** came in to discuss a possible development of the Sanderson property (next to Telly's on Rt. 125). Multi-family units and four commercial buildings are being proposed on the 42 acre property. This project will require a large water and sewer availability. HD reminded everyone that water will not be available for another year, but in principal we support the project, which would result in large connection fees to help pay off the bond for the new wells.

**3. Approval of Minutes: Motion buy Commissioner Langdon to approve the minutes of January 6, 2015 as submitted. Seconded by Commissioner King. Motion carried 3-0.**

**4 Administrator's Report:** DK presented the final Emery & Garrett contract for signatures. This final phase is to conduct the final pump test and all the water testing needed for final DES approval. Not to exceed \$242,840.00.

**Motion by Commissioner King to sign the E&G contract, not to exceed \$242,840.00. Seconded by Commissioner Langdon. Motion carried 3-0.**

DK reviewed the E&G letter to home owners requesting permission to monitor groundwater levels in their wells. If the Board approves, DK will notify E&G to submit to NHDES.

DK updated the Board regarding Verizon Wireless on the Gauthier Tower. VW wants a signed amendment to our agreement. DK will talk to Scott Kelley regarding structural review and approval of the proposed attachments by USG.

Epping has been awarded a free leak detection survey by NHDES to be conducted this summer.

**5. Operator's Report:** Norm Dionne thanked all the residents that have helped shovel out fire hydrants this winter. It is a big help.

ND called in BPB Construction to fix a leak in the 6" water main on rt. 125. There was an old lead joint that had failed.

**6. Commissioner's Reports:**

**Commissioner King:** MK takes exception with excessive government regulations. He is also very concerned with arsenic in rice.

**Commissioner Langdon:** Wants to talk about grease traps at our next meeting.

**Chairman DeBoer:** Nothing.

**Motion to adjourn made by Commissioner King.  
Seconded by Commissioner Langdon. Motion carried 3 – 0.  
Meeting adjourned at 9:00 pm.**

Respectfully Submitted

Dennis W. Koch Jr.  
Water & Sewer Administrator