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WATER & SEWER COMMISSION MEETING MINUTES June 2, 2015

Attendance:

Vice-Chairman Mike King, Commissioner Paul Langdon;
W&S Administrator Dennis Koch

1. Call to Order:

Vice-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: Jeff McClure & Sam Kenney of Weston & Sampson gave a presentation of the completed Asset Management Plan for the water system. SK narrated a slid show presenting all the aspects of the plan. We also received hard copies of the plan and updated water system maps.

Chris Albert of Jones & Beach presented plans for a Taco Bell to be located at 109 Calef Highway. CA inquired about the water use history for the property and whether a change of use fee would be required prior to construction or after one year?

CA also presented a revised plan for a proposed 12 unit apartment building at 242 Main Street. 24 bedrooms total would require 3,600 GPD. The site currently has a house on it, which is to remain.

DK will look into the water use history to determine if the expansion is greater than 4x the historic use. This will determine if water and sewer connection fees are due prior to construction.

CA discussed the high arsenic issue at the WWTF, MW5. Four samples were collected from the lagoons and found to have no elevated levels of arsenic. CA has spoken with Mitch Locker of NHDES and they agree that the arsenic could be coming from the blasted rock used to build the berm during construction of the lagoons.

CA suggests installing two piezometers to monitor for movement of the arsenic.

CA is talking to the Conway Group regarding bringing water and sewer to the new well site.

3. Administrator's Report: DK reviewed a May 12, 2015 email from Emery & Garrett regarding well samples and updating the pump test status.

W&S has received the Temporary Discharge Permit from NHDES for the pump test.

E&G submitted final notice of the pump test to DES on 5/21, received DES response.

DK reviewed Christine Bowman's email regarding water levels at the Hoar Pond Well site.

Utility Services Group is done with the review of Verizon Wireless' plan for re-attachment of the antennas to the Gauthier Tower.

The amendment to the original agreement has been signed by the BOS and mailed to VW.

Power-Up Generators is proposing replacement of the batteries at both the Lagoon Rd. and Hoar Pond generators during the next scheduled maintenance visits this fall.

DK presented an abatement for \$125.00 due to a high estimate. Meter has been replaced and this abatement reflects the actual usage.

**Motion by Commissioner Langdon to approve the abatement for \$125.00.
Seconded by Commissioner King. Motion carried 2-0.**

4. Operator's Report: Norm Dionne...absent.

5. Commissioner's Reports:

Commissioner King: MK asked about the bagged fire hydrant on the corner of Pleasant St. and Main St. Norm is looking into having it repaired.

Commissioner Langdon: PL thanked everyone for their patience with the outside water ban.

PL praised the helpful information in the Asset Management plan and pointed out that Epping's water rate is currently \$40.00 lower than the 2012 State average.

Chairman DeBoer: ...absent.

**Motion to adjourn made by Commissioner King.
Seconded by Commissioner Langdon. Motion carried 2 – 0.
Meeting adjourned at 9:00 pm.**

Respectfully Submitted

Dennis W. Koch Jr.
Water & Sewer Administrator