

Town of Epping, NH

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WATER & SEWER COMMISSION MEETING MINUTES July 7, 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: Chris Albert of Jones & Beach said Taco Bell is moving forward, needs an email detailing the water and sewer fees. CA will double check the grease trap size, sprinklers and irrigation.

CA discussed Paul Gatchell's proposed twelve unit apartment building at 242 Main St. Twenty four bedrooms total require 3,600 GPD of additional water. \$36,000.00 water and \$36,000 sewer connection fees are due before construction begins, per our regulations.

Arsenic in MW#5 at the WWTF does not seem to be coming from the lagoon water, based on recent samples. CA suggests installing a piezometer down-gradient and also using the existing up-gradient well for future samples. HD suggested that iron bacteria will cause high arsenic levels.

Emery & Garrett has pulled everything off the Epping Crossing site. The Conway Group is having Jones & Beach survey the rest of the road and their remaining commercial sites. CA says they are willing to talk about bring power and sewer to the site. CA will help set up a workshop after the surveying is complete.

3. Approval of Minutes:

Motion by Commissioner Langdon to approve the minutes of May 5, 2015 as submitted. Seconded by Chairman DeBoer. Motion carried 2-0.

Motion by Commissioner King to approve the minutes of June 2, 2015 as submitted. Seconded by Commissioner Langdon. Motion carried 2-0.

4 Administrator's Report: DK reviewed NHDES response to the 2014 annual Water Level Monitoring Report.

DK reviewed the May water level report and the DES response. DES requests reporting of water level data twice per month starting in June.

DK reviewed the latest USG water tower inspection reports. Both towers are in good shape.

DK discussed a Weston & Sampson proposal to complete the sewer map upgrade. It was agreed to wait until the meeting with the Conway Group, and possibly after the build-out of the Epping Crossing site is complete.

DK presented an abatement request for a high sewer bill related to a water pipe break.

**Motion by Commissioner King to approve the abatement.
Seconded by Commissioner Langdon. Motion carried 3-0.**

DK reports that the Verizon Wireless agreement amendment is complete.

There has been a request from the Selectmen that W&S paint the two well pump buildings on Fremont Road because they look bad. Consensus to get a price to paint the buildings.

5. Operator's Report: Norm Dionne reminds everyone that the outside water ban is still in effect.

ND and Bob Kilham would like to construct a 6" line to direct outflow water at the WWTF directly back into the lagoon. This will allow for no discharge violations if the process becomes unbalanced.

6. Commissioner's Reports:

Commissioner King: MK expressed his frustration with EPA over-reach.

Commissioner Langdon: PL asked residents to conserve water inside as well as out.

Chairman DeBoer: HD thanked residents for conserving water.

**Motion to adjourn made by Commissioner King.
Seconded by Commissioner Langdon. Motion carried 3 – 0.
Meeting adjourned at 8:00 pm.**

Respectfully Submitted

Dennis W. Koch Jr.
Water & Sewer Administrator