

Town of Epping, NH

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Water & Sewer Commissioners
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WATER & SEWER COMMISSION MEETING MINUTES March 29, 2021

Attendance:

Chairman Tom Gauthier, Commissioner Tom Dwyer, Commissioner Marc Nickerson
W&S Administrator Dennis Koch, W&S Operator Jim Pouliot

1. Call to Order:

Chairman Gauthier called the meeting to order at 4:30 pm via Zoom.

2. Approval of Minutes:

Motion by Commissioner Dwyer to approve the minutes of March 2 & 8, 2021 as submitted. Seconded by Chairman Gauthier. Motion carried 2-0. MN abstained.

3. Appointments: None.

Discussion on replacement for Chairman Gauthier followed. Both interested parties were interviewed by the W&SC.

Motion by Commissioner Nickerson to recommend Chet Clark to the BOS. No second.

Motion by Commissioner Dwyer to recommend Charlie Goodspeed to the BOS. No second.

Motion by Chairman Gauthier to recommend Charlie Goodspeed to the BOS. Seconded by Commissioner Dwyer. Motion carried 2-1.

Chairman Gauthier then suggested reorganizing the Board. Commissioner Dwyer preferred to wait until the replacement Commissioner is named by the BOS.

4 Administrator's Report: Plumer Court Condos update. They are replacing one dead sewer pump and having the second one reworked.

5. Operator's Report: RH White is coming to repair the Gauthier Tower this Thursday and Friday.

The quarterly report for the EPA was recently emailed.

This Wednesday the filters for the WTP are being delivered.

Train 3 has been on for 3-4 weeks, the first round of testing was submitted to DES with good results.

The manufacturer will be starting construction of the last two trains soon.

Bids are out for the Lagoon project, to be opened April 13th at the WWTF.

A discussion on 2021 sewer rates followed.

Motion by Commissioner Dwyer to increase the sewer rates by 3% beginning with the first quarter 2021 bills. Seconded by Commissioner Nickerson. Motion carried 3-0.

The BOS have decided to join the Great Bay Permit.

6. Commissioner's Reports:

Chairman Gauthier: Motion by TG to approve a 3% raise for water and sewer employees, effective April 1, 2021. Seconded by Commissioner Nickerson. Motion carried 3-0.

Thanked everyone for the chance to serve on the W&SC.

Commissioner Nickerson: Thanked the voters for electing him to the W&SC.

Commissioner Dwyer: Nothing.

**Motion to adjourn made by Commissioner Dwyer.
Seconded by Chairman Gauthier. Motion carried 3 – 0.
Meeting adjourned at 5:30 pm.**

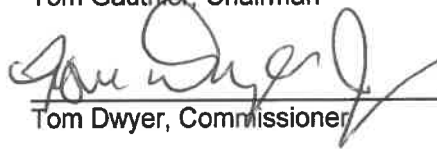
Respectfully Submitted

Dennis W. Koch Jr.
Water & Sewer Administrator

Minutes approved:



Tom Gauthier, Chairman



Tom Dwyer, Commissioner



Marc Nickerson, Commissioner