

# Town of Epping, NH

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Water & Sewer Commissioners  
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## WATER & SEWER COMMISSION MEETING MINUTES August 3, 2021

### **Attendance:**

Chairman Tom Dwyer, Commissioner Marc Nickerson, Commissioner Tom Gauthier  
BOS Rep. Mike Yergeau, W&S Administrator Dennis Koch

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

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

The Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag followed.

### **2. Approval of Minutes:**

**Motion by Commissioner Gauthier to approve the minutes of July 6, 2021 public and non-public as submitted. Seconded by Commissioner Nickerson. Motion carried 3-0.**

**3. Appointments: Austin Turner and Attorney Amy Manzelli** came in to discuss 46 Martin Road. 315 proposed apartments require 94,500 GPD of water and sewer capacity. 630 bedrooms. They propose to pay \$300K in water connection fees up front to permit well F1, as well as pay \$30K to have Underwood Engineers study the water and sewer systems as it relates to this project to identify any deficiencies and propose upgrades.

MN has concerns that all of water is coming from one source, and this proposal will take all of our remaining water. AT worked closely with Jim Pouliot and they believe this project may only require 72K GPD. AM believes other developments currently under construction will not use their total allocation once on-line.

TG said we have to figure GPD based on NHDES formula.

TD, this project does not have Planning Board approval, W&S is the first step.

MY feels we are at a disadvantage in this discussion because they have council present and the Town does not.

TD said no vote on this tonight, we may explore other sources of funding for the permitting of F1.

TD asked them to re-write their points & show us the lengths proposed.

**Motion by Commissioner Nickerson to continue until 9/14/2021. Seconded by Commissioner Gauthier. Motion carried 3-0.**

**Mike Fecteau**, Resident/Property Owner spoke in opposition to this project. He feels it is not fair to give all of our water to one project like this.

MF feels we should make allocated projects pay the connection fees or sell the water to those who are willing to pay. MF wants to purchase water and be on the list.

**4 Administrator's Report:** Cheney has paid for their additional 975 gallons of water and sewer.

Looked at John Ratigan's redline version of the new billing policy. We need to make some changes.

ESR for Railroad Ave., we should sign it, the BOS will discuss splitting the bidding services with sewer on 8/9.

**Motion by Commissioner Nickerson to approve the ESR, sewer design work will be \$17,489.88, contingent upon the BOS cost paying the Highway portion of design and sharing the bidding costs. Seconded by Commissioner Gauthier. Motion carried 3-0.**

What level of inspections do we want on the Lewis Builders project? Take pictures when laying pipe, UE on site 2/3 times per week. GPS locations of everything.

**5. Operator's Report:** None.

**6. Commissioner's Reports:**

**Chairman Dwyer:** We need to hire new operator soon. Set up interviews for next week.

**Commissioner Nickerson:** Lagoon power? 400amp is ready to go. Trailer is on-site, sign is up.

**Commissioner Gauthier:** None.

**Motion to adjourn made by Commissioner Gauthier.  
Seconded by Commissioner Nickerson. Motion carried 3 – 0.  
Meeting adjourned at 10:15 pm.**

Respectfully Submitted  
Dennis W. Koch Jr.  
Water & Sewer Administrator

**Minutes approved:**

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Tom Dwyer, Chairman

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Marc Nickerson, Commissioner

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Tom Gauthier, Commissioner