TOWN OF SPENCER, MASSACHUSETTS OFFICE OF THE SEWER COMMISSION

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JAMES T. LAPLANTE, JR., SUPERINTENDENT



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Minutes of Meeting held October 19, 2022

Meeting of the Board of Sewer Commissioners held at the Water Department, also, broadcast live from the Spencer Water Department, 3 Old Meadow Rd, Spencer, MA. (Documents are on file at the Utilities and Facilities Office)

Members present: Francis "Frank" White

Lawrence "Larry" Dufault

Francis X. White, Jr

Sewer staff present: James Laplante, Jr. Supt.

Debra Graves, Sr Clerk

Others: Jeffrey Bridges, Town Administrator

Lauren Vivier, Town Planner/Conservation Agent

Ryan Siegal, Tighe & Bond Snowbirds, Representative

Remotely: Ralph Hicks, Board of Selectmen

Snowbirds, Representative

Meeting was called to order at 4:00pm.

Vote to approve Meeting Minutes September 14 and October 4, 2022.

A motion to approve the minutes of September 14 and October 4, 2022 (Larry/Frank/Francis, Jr) passed 3/0 with a roll call vote: Larry-yes, Frank-yes, Francis Jr.-yes.

Superintendent James LaPlante Reports:

• Review Monthly Operations Report (Reports are on file at the Utilities & Facilities Office)

Budget & Capital Items:

- Bond note was sold 10/19/2022. Bond Debt Service schedule Fidelity Capital Market. Debt Schedule remains the same, this was voted on 10/4/2022 meeting.
- <u>Aerzen Rebuilt Blower</u>: Bought three blowers. Review quotation for rebuild blower price \$8,824.78 to have a spare on site.
- Sewer Superintendent will be reaching out to Senator Gobi's office to see about the grant for \$250,000.
- Long Island Sound Future funds Grant of 1.5 million. Tighe & Bond reached out to them last month. Should see something soon on this.

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Sewer Systems Upgrades:

• Arcadis US, Inc. - Soil Characterization Results: Nickerson off site testing, test pit #1 & #2 considered clean soil can be reused on-site. Test Pit #3 showed elevated levels of petroleum, lead and arsenic at 5-9ft below grade. Need to do additional investigation on pit #3. Motion by Larry for the additional investigation on test pit cost around \$5,000.00 to \$10,000.00, Second by Frank, all in favor. Roll call vote: Larry-yes, Frank-yes, Frank Jr. -yes.

Resident Concerns:

• <u>Snowbirds</u>: Due to safety and liability concerns no snowmobiles will be allowed on or near the Construction and staging areas. Also, noted structural safety concerns regarding Snowbirds bridge. New Aeration Tank and Stormwater area extended out over trail and beyond. Would recommend the Snowmobiles to stay on the outside of the fence line. Site walk with Commissioners, Engineering and Snowbird representative showed possible alternate route along South Spencer Rd. that may be utilized as a temporary route for snowmobiles. All snowmobilers would have to use any trail old or new at their own risk.

Public Meeting adjourned at 5:00pm motion by Frank Jr., Second by Frank, all in Favor, Larry.

The Board voted and approved minutes on 11/9/2022

Respectfully Submitted, Debra Graves