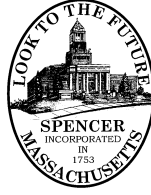


# TOWN OF SPENCER, MASSACHUSETTS

## OFFICE OF THE SEWER COMMISSION

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### **Minutes of Meeting held June 14, 2023**

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. Dail-in  
Debra Graves, Sr Clerk

Others: Jeffrey Bridges, Town Administrator

Meeting was called to order at 4:01pm.

### **Vote to approve Meeting Minutes May 10, 2023 & June 7, 2023.**

A motion to approve the minutes of May 10, 2023, June 7, 2023 (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:**

- Pleasant Street: EM Thibault replacing 1.5 lateral a day, another week and half to finish. Five repairs were previously done three are complete and two partials.
- Waiting on transfer funds from retained earning, so the loader can be purchased and retained earnings approved at ATM in the collection system account.
- Chemical Bids for Lime, Polymer and Aluminum. Larry motion to approve the amounts and fees for the chemical bid that was open on 6/8/23, second by Frank, all in favor, Francis Jr. Roll call vote: Larry-yes, Frank-yes, Francis Jr.-yes.

### **Sewer Systems Upgrade**

- Valley Street: Sewer pipe repair originally voted bid for \$114,750.00 6/7/2023. Adding two more manholes to be installed. Sewer Superintend would like an itemized list of exactly what the Sewer Dept. supplied to Ludlow. Added Sewer Lateral Repair and Sewer Main Collapse Repair. Larry motion to accept Ludlow reducing the sewer main collapse repair amount, so the total amount that we will approve is \$133,882.74, second by Frank, all in favor, Francis Jr. Roll call vote: Larry-yes, Frank-yes, Francis Jr.-yes.

Resident Concern

- **18 Summit Street:** Owner is looking to add a second bathroom in the basement and two bedrooms. Need to fill out a sewer permit application for additional flow and the I&I fee for two bedrooms is \$3,520.00.
- **17 ½ Greenville St** – Owner is looking to add two bedrooms. Sewer Commissioners review plans. Recommend that the sewer lateral be inspected before the Commissioners approve it. Would need to hire a private company to inspect. Would need to fill out sewer permit application for additional flow and the I&I fee for two bedrooms is \$3,520.00. Larry motion to approve the additional two bedrooms, conditioning on the lateral to be independent and not shared, second by Frank, all in favor, Francis Jr. Roll call vote Larry-yes, Frank-yes, Francis Jr.-yes.
- **22 Pope St.** – Owner is looking to add one bedroom. Need to fill out sewer permit application for additional flow and the I&I fee for one bedroom is \$1,760.00. Larry motion to approve the one bedroom with the I&I fee, second by Frank, all in favor, Francis Jr. Roll call vote Larry-yes, Frank-yes, Francis Jr.-yes.
- **43 High St.** - Requesting abatement on Sewer. Pipe burst outside of the home in a crawl space not in the basement. No water ever went into the home, just into the soil. Larry motion to approve the rebate as the result of sewer pipe burst to bring usage down to  $4482 - 2000 = 2482$ , second by Francis Jr, all in favor, Frank.
- **42 Main St:** Single family only have seven bedrooms. Question on how many bedrooms. Falls under the change of use. Would need to fill out sewer permit application for additional flow and the I&I fee for four bedrooms is \$7,040.00. Francis Jr. motion to approve for four bedrooms, Larry second, all in favor, Frank. Roll call vote Larry-yes, Frank-yes, Francis Jr.-yes.

Public Meeting adjourned at 4:57pm motion by Francis Jr, second by Frank, all in Favor, Larry.

*The Board voted and approved minutes on 7/12/2023*

Respectfully Submitted,  
Debra Graves