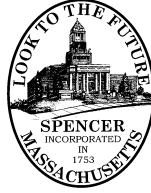


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Minutes of Meeting held March 18, 2021.

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

France White called the meeting to order at 4:00pm and announced that the meeting is being conducted remotely consistent with Governor Bakers Executive order. In order to mitigate the transmission of the COVID-19 Virus. We are currently meeting with a combination of members present and remote. All votes will be taken by roll call in accordance with regulation 940, CMR 29.10 of the Open Meeting Law.

Members Dial in: Francis "Frank" White
Lawrence "Larry" Dufault

Sewer staff present: James Laplante, Jr., Supt.
Dial in: Debra Graves, Sr. Clerk

Vote to approve Meeting Minutes for February 18, 2021.

A motion to approve the minutes of February 18, 2021 (Larry/Frank) passed 2/0 with a roll call vote: Larry-yes, Frank-yes.

Superintendent James Laplante Reports:

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

Budget & Capital Items:

- 63 Chestnut St. claim: Sewer is not responsible, claim against the contractor.
- I&I (Inflow & Infiltration) permit reports: NPDES Permit is due April 30, 2021. Wright-Price Engineering price is high \$21,400. Sewer Superintendent is reaching out for a second opinion. Will revisit at next meeting.

Rapscallion Brewer:

- Already has water meter install for Brewery water only. Flow meter in place sometime in August. Commissioners recommended installing a PH meter before they start processing. Possible flow increase in the future. Will be open 7 days a week. Occupancy and design flows for 16 occupancy approved by the Town. Also, there will be a I&I charge for the increase flow. Sewer Commissioners need to establish a rate for Brewery. Decided on 7¢ a gallon for wastewater but wasn't voted on. Will have to vote on this at the next meeting.

Sewer Moratorium:

- Sewer Commissioners discuss impact fee & I&I fee. Larger projects new flow, I&I removal (4 to 1 ratio) will be the owner responsible. New connection for 3 bedrooms stays with current impact fee & I&I fee. Will have to vote on this at the next meeting.

Resident Concerns:

- 3 Ash St: Requesting late fee waived, stating she has never been late before. Sewer Commissioners didn't approve the abatement for sewer.
- 7 Cherry St: Requesting abatement on January & April's bill. Water was shut off for construction at the end of October but was never turned back on. Water was turned on 3/3/21. Motion made by Larry to abate January and April 2021 sewer bills, seconded by Frank passed 2/0 with a roll call vote: Larry yes, Frank-yes.

Public Meeting adjourned at 4:35pm motion by Larry, Second by Frank, all in favor.

The Board voted and approved minutes on 4/14/2021