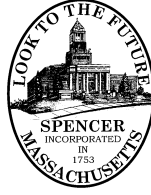


# TOWN OF SPENCER, MASSACHUSETTS

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### **Minutes of Meeting held October 13, 2021.**

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  
Michael "Mike" Mercadante

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

Meeting was called to order at 4:00pm.

### **Vote to approve Meeting Minutes for September 15, 2021.**

A motion to approve the minutes of September 15, 2021 (Larry/Frank/Mike) passed 3/0 with a roll call vote: Larry-yes, Frank-yes, Mike-yes.

### **Superintendent James LaPlante Reports:**

- Review Monthly Operations Report (Reports are on file at the Utilities & Facilities Office)  
Sewer Superintendent updated the Commissioners on the progress on Rapscaillon flow meter/flume delivery and the anticipated arrival of the equipment. Commissioner expressed interest in the contractor that will be doing the installation, calibration of the equipment and maintenance.

### **Budget & Capital Items:**

- Sewer rates: Tighe & Bond and Raftelis sewer rate study proposal. Raftelis price is double the amount of Tighe & Bond. Sewer Commissioners will review the proposal and make a decision at a later date.
- Manhole covers: Three manholes that need to be raised. Some parts are in stock. Sewer Superintendent would like EM Thibault Excavation to do the work because he has a bid with the Town. Would like to do ASAP. Larry motion to higher EM Thibault Excavation to raise the manhole for a cost of \$5,000, seconded by Frank, all in favor, Mike. Passed 3/0 with a roll call vote Larry-yes, Mike-yes, Frank-yes.

Sewer Systems Upgrades:

- SSES work has already began. Did some smoke testing at Industrial Park and Flexcon. Some of the storm drains did smoke. Also, need to dye test the library. Sewer Commissioners suggested doing dye testing at the library on there off day.

Resident concerns:

- 125 Main St - Resident requesting to have late fee waived. Mike motion to deny waiving late fees, seconded by Larry and in favor, Frank. Passed 3/0 with a roll call vote Mike-yes, Larry-yes, Frank-yes.

Public Meeting adjourned at 4:37pm motion by Mike, Second by Frank, all in favor Mike.

*The Board voted and approved minutes on 11/22/2021*

Respectfully Submitted,  
Debra Graves