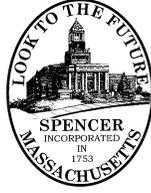


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**Minutes of Meeting held February 15, 2023**

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  
Francis X. White, Jr  
Dial-in Lawrence "Larry" Dufault

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

Others: Jeffrey Bridges, Town Administrator  
Michael Schrader, Tighe & Bond  
Ryan Siegel, Tighe & Bond  
John Howard, BOS  
Dial-in Gary Woodberry, BOS

Meeting was called to order at 4:02pm.

Vote to approve Meeting Minutes January 11, 2023.

A motion to approve the minutes of January 11, 2023 (Francis, Jr/Frank/Larry) passed 3/0 with a roll call vote: Larry=yes, Frank=yes, Francis Jr.-yes.

Budget & Capital Items:

- Septage rates & interest: Review septage rates increase. Sewer Commissioners would like to table this until next meeting.
- Rate Study: Review preliminary results of the Sewer System rate evaluation. Will schedule another meeting on the rate study before a public hearing.

Sewer Systems Upgrade

- Moratorium: moratorium in place currently. It was done to help control influent flow while we continue our sewage system evaluation study. Still have a lot of work to do in order to identify the areas of concern to help mitigate the I&I (inflow /infiltration) so we can support the expansion of development of the community. Per Town Administrator the Town councils believe that it's expired.
- Land use Ordinance: Review draft propose land use from Wright-Pierce. If we adopt the land use great idea to lose or repeal the moratorium
- Grease Trap: Most towns show that the ordinance falls under the Board of health.

Resident Concern

- Jim Burke is interested in buying land at the corner of Parent & Temple St. looking to build a two-car garage with apartment upstairs with 1 or 2 bedrooms. There is a moratorium in place currently for design flow, not to exceed 440 gallons per day.
- 6 Maple St: There was a fire at the property on 4/4/2022 been vacant since then. Requesting to have January bill waive. Francis Jr, motion to abate the sewer portion of January bill \$271.53, seconded by Frank, all in favor Larry. roll call vote: Francis Jr.-yes, Frank-yes, Larry-yes.

Larry made a motion to adjourn the Public Meeting, seconded by Frank, all in Favor, Frank Jr.

Public Meeting adjourned at 5:11pm motion by Larry, Second by Frank, all in Favor, Frank Jr.

*The Board voted and approved minutes on 2/22/2023*

Respectfully Submitted,  
Debra Graves