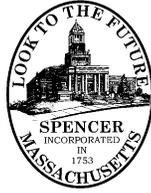


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**Minutes of Meeting held August 9, 2023**

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  
Debra Graves, Sr Clerk

Dial-in: Fred DaCruz, Ludlow Construction

Meeting was called to order at 4:01pm.

**Vote to approve Meeting Minutes July 12, 2023.**

A motion to approve the minutes of July 12, 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:**

- Ludlow Construction. Sewer main collapse repair on Valley Street. There was a crack on the sewer pipe. The Sewer Dept. has video on this, it shows a spider crack. Sewer did offer to supply the parts for the repairs. Ludlow Construction would like the Sewer Commissioners to authorize payment as that failure, was not caused by negligence from the Contractor, cost for repairs is \$4,495.11. Will be reviewing the video with Ludlow. Sewer Commissioners would like to table until next meeting.
- Septage late fees: Sewer Commissioners discuss adding septage demand fees. Would like to table until the next meeting.

**Sewer Systems Upgrade:**

- Rapscallion purchased and installed flow restriction fittings. Calibration was done a few months ago.
- Wright-Pierce: Clark & Adam Street relining project. Sewer Commissioners review the proposal for engineering services for design, bidding, and construction administration of sewer rehabilitation on Clark and Adams Street. Francis Jr. motion to accept proposed fee of \$63,100.00, seconded by Frank, all in favor Larry. roll call vote: Francis Jr.-yes, Frank-yes, Larry-yes.

Resident Concern

- 277 Main St: Owner requesting to have late fee waive stating payment was made on time. Larry motion to waive the \$15.00 late fee, second by Frank, all in favor Francis Jr. Roll call vote: Larry-yes, Frank-yes, Francis Jr-yes.
- Diamond Nails: Nail Salon on Mechanic St has applied for 2 additional pedicure seats. Larry motion Nail Salon can add two more pedicure seats in the amount of \$480.00, second by Frank, all in favor Francis Jr., 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 9/13/2023*

Respectfully Submitted,  
Debra Graves