

BOARD OF PUBLIC WORKS  
MINUTES OF MEETING August 9, 2011

Members Present: Robert Bartini, Chairman, David Forrest, Bill Enser, Peter Jahn  
Others Present: Robert Nason, Chris Pompei, Mike Towler, Gary Johnson, Richard Neales, Paul Porrini  
The meeting was called to order at 3:30 PM

**Highway Dept.**

**Tyringham Road**

Chris Pompei and Bob Nason Brought the board up to date regarding Tyringham Rd

**Paving**

Chris Pompei brought the board up to date regarding LB Corp. Chris Informed the BPW that Chapter 90 has been approved from the State and Fairview St. will possibly be taken care of in the spring. Chairmen Robert Bartini informed Chris that he receives a lot of complaints regarding Forest St and if the Town can chip seal the Rd. Chris Pompei explained to Bob that the chip sealing has increased significantly. This year's chip sealing price is approximately \$60,000.00 compared to last year's price of \$25,000.00.

**Waste Water Dept.**

**Sewer Abatements**

The BPW approved the following abatements for 51 West Center St (\$107.45) 236 Main St (\$723.81), 151 E. Center St (\$50.00), and 130 Columbia St (\$24.10).

Dave Forrest moved Peter Jahn seconded. The motion passed unanimously.

**Water Dept.**

**Water Shut Off**

Chris Pompei informed the board that as of 08/04/2011 there are 2 of the 3 delinquents that were shut off and have paid and 3 have filed for bankruptcy and cannot be shut off. Of the 56 tax payers with agreements 10 have paid and 37 are still compliant. 9 have not honored their agreements and have been notified of water being shut-off if the agreed amounts are not received by 08/12/2011

Monica stated her concern regarding the renters and wanted to know what the procedure was. Bob Nason informed the Board that the Water and Sewer bill is the responsibility of the Home Owners and if the home owners do not pay bill the Town will still continue with shut-off procedure.

**Gary Johnson**

Gary Johnson was present to discuss the Water and Sewer abatement for 295 Theresa Terrace. Mike Towler and Jon Lucy had tested Gary Johnson water meter against another meter and stated that there was nothing wrong with his meter. Gary Johnson insisted that the meter moved forward, Mike Towler informed Gary that the meter cannot move forward and if anything went wrong with the Water meter it would stop completely. Gary Johnson disagreed with Mike Towler. Gary offered to donate a check to any of the kid's sports instead of paying the Water and Sewer bill. Chairmen Robert Bartini told Gary that the Town cannot abate his entire Water and Sewer bill and the Board will consider a 10% abatement in the amount of \$272.80.  
Bill Enser moved Peter Jahn seconded. The motion passed unanimously.

**Water Abatements**

The BPW approved the following abatement: 51 West Center St (\$65.98), 236 Main St (\$444.45), 151 E. Center St (\$25.00), and 130 Columbia St (\$20.50).

Dave Forrest moved Peter Jahn seconded. The motion passed unanimously.

**Approve Minutes from the July 12, 2011 BPW meetings**

Bill Enser moved and Peter Jahn seconded to approve the July 12, 2011 Board of Public Works meeting minutes. The motion passed unanimously.

**The next BPW meeting will be Tuesday September 29, 2011, 3:30 p.m. at 45 Railroad St., Lee.**

The meeting adjourned at 5:00 PM

Respectfully submitted,

Angela Cook

cc:           Selectman                                   Town Treasurer                                   Town Assessor                                   Building Inspector  
                  Town Administrator                    Planning/Zoning Board                        Town Clerk                                    Tax Collector