

BOARD OF PUBLIC WORKS
MINUTES OF MEETING – December 15, 2009

Members Present: Robert Bartini, Chairman, David Forrest, Bill Enser, Tom Arment, Roger Scheurer, (absent), Peter Jahn, Monica Ryan

Others Present: Bob Nason, Chris Pompei, Jim Scalise, Michelle Henderson

The meeting was called to order at 3:35 PM.

Highway Dept.

Chris Pompei informed the Board that John Curtin would be out of work for eight weeks due to surgery. LB Corp. is on call. He added that another person might be hired until Dennis Kelly or John Curtin comes back to work. Chris explained that the Highway Dept. was down two trucks. Chairman Bartini made the suggestion to borrow a plow from a neighboring town. Chairman Bartini asked if a Highway employee took a truck home and plowed their driveway. Chris informed the Board that the employee only stopped at home to get some money for coffee break and then got stuck in his driveway. He did not plow the driveway. The employees will be reminded that it is Town policy that Town vehicles are not to be used for personal use.

Waste Water Dept.

Jim Scalise of S.K. Design addressed the Board for Interstate Biofuels. The former Niagara Mill is being looked at for a bio-diesel facility. Environmental forms have been filed. The southern part of the land is in Lee and it would be economically best for Interstate Biofuels to tie into the Lee sewer. Jim Scalise passed around the chemical breakdown report. The phosphorus level is low because the discharge is pretreated. Al Zerbato has no problem with the continues-flow proposed. He does have concern that the sewer plant's permit does not allow industrial waste. Chris Pompei will contact Metcalf & Eddy and have them forward to S.K. Design the information required for bio diesel.

Water Dept.

Denise Andre – Dirty Water Complaint – Response to Letter

The Board reviewed the letter concerning dirty water received from Denise Andre of 18 Rose Ave. There were questions concerning that old lines might be attached newer one. This will be investigated. Chris Pompei is to call her to keep her informed what actions are being taken to remedy the problem. It was also suggested that the claim go through the insurance company.

Other

Hebert Subdivision

Chris Pompei showed the Board where the purposed road is to go. The road on the plans that were submitted for the Hebert Subdivision do not meet the require Town specifications. Sewer and water lines will need extensions. There also is a drainage problem. It was stated that the Planning Board will not rule until they hear from the Board of Public Works. Chris Pompei will draft a letter to be signed by Chairman Bartini by December 18, 2009. The letter is to include "pending drainage evaluation".

Sewer and Water Rate Discussion

Bob Nason and Chris Pompei handed out and explained their financial overviews. Bill Enser made a motion and Monica Ryan seconded, that due to the economy, there would not be any sewer or water rate increase until after the first quarter of the year. Chris Pompei and Bob Nason are to compose a notice to go out with the next billing stating this and that the Town will be using the water and sewer reserve to hold down the rate for now.

Sewer/Water Regulations

The proposed sewer/water regulations were distributed to the Board. These will be reviewed at the next BPW meeting.

Fairview St. – Dennis Welch – Discussion Only

The water problem on Fairview St. was due to ground water. A drain was installed to correct the problem. The Select Board had questioned if Dennis Welch should be paying for the repair. David Forrest suggested that the Town and Dennis Welch should split the bill. Chairman Bartini requested that a letter go to Bill Burnell to stop plowing snow into the ditch the Town just fixed.

Larmon Letter

Chairman Bartini read the letter of rebuttal that he received at his house from William Larmon. The D.P.W. is waiting for contact from the insurance company.

Approve Minutes from the November 10, 2009 BPW meeting

Bill Enser made a motion and Monica Ryan seconded to approve the November 10, 2009 meeting minutes. The motion passed unanimously.

The next BPW meeting will be Tuesday, January 12, 2010, 3:30 p.m. at the D.P.W. office in Airoidi Building.

The meeting adjourned at 5:45 PM

Respectfully submitted,
Ginny Vania

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

