

BOARD OF PUBLIC WORKS
MINUTES OF MEETING – May 23, 2017

Members Present: David Forrest, Roger Scheurer, Peter Scolforo, Don Zukowski & Bob Nason.

Others Present: Chris Pompei, Matt Puntin-SKDesign, Bruce Reynold, Richard Vinette, Jr, Bill Enser

Dave Forrest called the meeting to order at 4:34 pm.

Abatelements.

Board signed misc abatement totals from April 2017

An abatement request was submitted for 630 East Street. Possible meter issue. Meter was sent out for further inspection and replaced with a new one. Abatement was held for further information after next quarterly reading.

An abatement request was submitted for 1435 Pleasant Street. Homeowner had a leak that was repaired, resulting in a large quarterly bill. After the Board reviewed information, it was decided that the customer would be credited 10% of that quarter's bill.

An abatement request was submitted for 310 Prospect Street. Homeowner was requested a credit amount returned after selling property. After Board discussion, it was decided to deny request. The Board felt that this should have been resolved at closing.

Water Dept.

Dave Forrest requested that Mike Towler attend a BPW meeting to update the Board on meter replacements.

There was further discussion regarding the old water truck that is no longer in use and in need of repair. The Board had decided to repair and transfer ownership to the Waste Water Department. Bob Nason questioned the repair costs and suggested that these be looked into further. He also let the Board know that it would need a Town Meeting vote to transfer the truck (an asset) from one enterprise account (Water Dept) to another (Waste Water Dept)

Waste Water Dept

Matt Puntin of SK Design came before the Board regarding a property being built on Goose Pond. It was requested that the Board approve that a septic could be installed on this property, since it would have no access to town sewer for at least the next 5 years. The Board agreed that this was the case and stated that the closest current sewer line was a mile away from the location in question. Roger Scheurer made a motion, Don Zukowski seconded and all were in favor.

Highway/Cemetery Dept

Dave Forrest inquired about the new truck that was approved at the Town Meeting. Chris Pompei stated that the truck would be very similar to the one that was purchased in FY 17 with a few modifications to the front end. It would also be purchased from the same distributor thru the Greater Boston Police Council State Bid Contract, which the Town is a member of.

Dave Forrest inquired about paving of roads. Chris Pompei let the Board know that funds are very limited after the \$5 million was turned down at Town Meeting for road repair. With the funds available, Matt Larson, Highway Supervisor will be going over roads that have the greatest need and seeing what can be accomplished.

Pete Scolforo asked about the progress on the Forest Street project. Chris Pompei let him know that the project was out for bid. Bids are due in by June 1, 2017, with a start date expected by the end of June and completion before October 1, 2017.

Other

The Board continued to discuss the proposed Cintas project on Quarry Hill Road. Don Zukowski stated that he had been informed of an update on the project. Cintas needs 5 acres of building space for their project and the property on Quarry Hill Road has some existing wetlands. Cintas was informed that they would need to go before the Conservation Commission at this point for further details and potential solutions. Bob Nason stated that he would be reaching out to Cintas and the Conservation Commission on more details from the town perspective.

A capacity fee permit was presented to the Board for 1049 Fairview Street. After discussion, the Board agreed to approve permit, but hold payment until the possible Cintas project would eliminate capacity fees. It was requested that the check be held until July 1st to see if further information was available.

Executive Session

None.

Minutes

Board approved April 11, 2017 & April 25, 2017 minutes

The next BPW meeting will be Tuesday June 13, 2017 @ 4:30 at the Airolodi Building.

The meeting adjourned at 5:43 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Shanon Albee

cc: Clerk, & Website