BOARD OF PUBLIC WORKSMINUTES OF MEETING – Nov 12, 2014

Members Present: Robert Bartini Chairman, Bill Enser, David Forrest, and Monica Ryan. Others Present: Bob Nason, Al Zerbato, and Evan Williams.

Chairman Bartini called the meeting to order at 3:35pm.

Commitment

None.

Abatement

BPW further discussed the Susan Cinella abatement request. The Board tabled the matter until the next meeting when they can review her current reading and possibly speak with her.

An application for abatement for Lee Bank at 75 Park St was submitted. There was an error with the reading and the usage was miscalculated. Member Forrest made a motion to approve the abatement. Member Enser seconded the motion and the Board unanimously approved.

An application for abatement for Retzel/Hurley at 622 East St. was submitted. There was miscommunication with a closing on the property and the bill needed to be adjusted for the new owners. There was a brief discussion about getting these errors corrected going forward. Member Forrest made a motion to approve the abatement. Member Enser seconded the motion and the Board unanimously approved.

An application for Collins at 40 Leonard St. was submitted. Bob Bartini abstained from discussion because the applicant is a relative. There was a closing and the new owners were mistakenly billed for minimum usage for a 10 day period. Member Enser made a motion to approve the abatement. Member Ryan seconded the motion and the Board unanimously approved.

Water Dept

<u>Meters and Readers</u> – The Board briefly discussed the ongoing issue of changing out failing meters. They requested accurate numbers and perhaps Mike Towler from the Water Dept to be present at the next meeting.

<u>Capacity Fees</u> – A Special Permit for Blackwater Realty Trust LLC at 850 Summer St was reviewed. The Board wants a memo drafted to the Selectmen voicing their concern over the unpaid capacity fees for this property.

Sewer Dept –

<u>Discharge Approval</u> – Evan Williams from Glass Bottom Brewery was present to seek the approval of the Board for discharging into the sewer system. Al Zerbato stated that just over a year ago the brewery was opened and Evan had gone through all the proper permitting with the Town and DEP. Some changes were made to that process by DEP in April. The brewery is not required to pre-treat discharge because it is under the 25,000 gallon per day limit. It was recommended that the Brewery come before the Board for approval to discharge and to clearly explain to the Board what is being discharged. Al had Evan test samples of discharge and provide the results. There were no concerns. Evan explained the brew process and the number of gallons being used and discharged. The Board approved the discharge and recommended the brewery keep a detailed log book as suggested by Al and to notify us if discharge exceeded 1,000 gallons per day.

Highway/Cemetery Dept

<u>Update on Tyringham Rd and Willow St. Bridge</u> – Bob updated the Board on the status of the two projects and where the numbers were currently. Both projects have had change orders. Some Tyringham Rd costs offset by some credits and one Willow bridge change will be covered by Onyx Paper. The base coat is down on Tyringham Rd and they are buttoning things down in preparation for winter. Willow bridge will be wrapped up in the next week and painted next spring.

Other

Bob Nason stated that he has begun looking at bridges in town and going over the info with Chris. The Town is looking ahead in hopes of being better prepared for the future costs of bridge repairs/replacements that will be seen in the future.

Executive Session

None

Minutes

Member Enser made a motion to approve the minutes from 10/14/14 as written. Member Ryan seconded the motion and the Board unanimously approved. Member Enser made a motion to approve the minutes from 10/28/14 as written and Member Forrest seconded the motion. Member Ryan abstained because she was absent at that meeting. The vote was unanimous approved.

The next BPW meeting will be Tuesday November 25, 2014 @ 3:30pm at the Airoldi Building.

The meeting adjourned at 4:55 PM

Respectfully submitted, Brandi Page

cc: Selectman, Assessor, Clerk, Treasurer, Planning/Zoning Board, Building Inspector, Collector, and Town Administrator, Highway Dept, Sewer Plant, and Water Plant