

**BOARD OF PUBLIC WORKS**  
**MINUTES OF MEETING – February 26, 2013**

Members Present: David Forrest Chairman, Nelson Daley, Bill Enser, Roger Scheurer and Monica Ryan  
Others Present: Bob Nason, Mark Pezzotini, Dick Johnson, Scott Kelley, Rebecca Carlson and Chris Pompei

Chairman Forrest called the meeting to order at 3:30pm

**Highway Dept.**

**Tyringham Rd** – No new updates to report.

**Water & Sewer**

**Utility Service** – Dick Johnson and Scott Kelley gave the BPW a presentation on Ice Pigging. Ice Pigging effectively removes sediments, biofilms and foreign matter in pipes, which in turn improves water quality. It is suitable for all pipe materials, Mains up to 16" diameter and higher for special projects, Raw water, and Sewer network – solution under development. Scott Kelly informed the BPW that Ice pigging is an effective tool when used as part of a holistic distribution system water quality and asset management strategy. Scott Kelley presented the BPW a proposal to do a demonstration on Marble St. After discussion back and forth the BPW will discuss further.

**Cemetery**

**None**

**Sewer Dept**

**80 Pease St** – Dave Forrest signed the 4 bedroom sewer capacity fee permit. The permit was approved at the July 10, 2012 BPW meeting contingent that payment was received in the amount of \$3520.00.

**114 Canal St abatement** – Mark Pezzotini was present to discuss his past water and sewer bill from 10/02/2012-12/31/2012. Mark stated that his water and sewer amounts have increased by more than 100%. Mark has discovered that there is a line that's in the back of his house that goes underground from Jeff Murphy's house at 124 Canal St. Mark had turned his valve off and realized that his meter was still spinning. Dave Forrest asked if 124 Canal St has a meter. Mark said yes. Dave Forrest agreed that the Town cannot double bill for the same water. Dave Forrest suggested that Mike Towler from the water dept should look into the matter and have him check both meters and compare meter readings for the same period. Once Mike has completed the comparison the BPW will discuss at the next scheduled meeting. Dave Forrest also explained to Mark that it is up to the homeowners to fix the situation and separate the water line.

**1405 Pleasant St** – Rebecca Carlson was present to appeal the 10% abatement of \$242.57 that the BPW approved at the February 5, 2013 meeting. After discussion back and forth the BPW agreed that the abatement still stands at 10%.

**Other**

**Capital Requests** – Bob Nason handed out the DPW Capital Requests for FY 2014. The BPW agreed to the following:

- Highway:**
1. Ford F-150 pickup truck with plow -\$35,000.00, The highway dept needs to replace one of the pickup trucks. This truck will be sold to the water dept to minimize the use of its utility/crane truck that needs to be replaced and will be replaced next year.
  2. Mid size dump truck with sander and plow \$100,000.00, Chris informed the Board that the 2002 Ford F 550 needs to be replaced because it will not make it through this winter.
  3. International dump truck with sander and plow - \$150,000.00, the 1997 large trucks needs to be replaced because it is 16 years old.
  4. Willow St bridge rehabilitation
  5. Pavement rehabilitation/chip sealing/crack sealing - \$250,000.00.
- Water:**
1. Wach's Valve Exerciser -\$60,000.00, the water distribution system is old and needs a valve exerciser to enable safe opening/closing of the old valve. This was recommended in the CIP prepared for the town in 2010.
  2. Bypass piping at WTP - \$125,000.00 The main distribution line feeding town does not have a by-pass to perform maintenance on the chemical injectors. They are currently leaking and require replacement.
  3. Pickup truck - \$10,000.00, buy the surplus highway pickup truck.
  4. Extraordinary repairs - \$26,000.00

**Sewer:**

1. Extraordinary repairs - \$20,000.00
2. Push Camera - \$10,000.00. The existing sewer camera is not working and to analyze the system we need a camera.
3. Replace 3 pump station generators - \$75,000.00. Laurel, Meadow, and Willow Pump Stations need new generators.
4. Replace North Pump Station Generator - \$25,000.00. The North Pump Station needs a new generator; the old one is not functioning properly and needs to be replaced. Currently we are discussing its replacement with the Nursing Home to find out whose responsibility it is to fix it and at this time it's in the Town Attorneys hand.

A request for a new Ford F-150 pickup truck with plow was taken off the list. Dave Forrest suggested getting another year out of the current Sewer truck.

**Cemetery:**

1. New Mower - \$10,000.00. The cemetery needs a new mower because the mower is 10yrs old and the engine has "blow back" which means the engine will not make it much longer.

**Abatelements:**

None

**Executive Session**

No Executive Session at this meeting.

**Approve Minutes from the February 5, 2013 and February 12, 2013 BPW meeting.**

Approved as written; Bill Enser motioned to approve, seconded by Monica Ryan. The motion passed unanimously.

**The next BPW meeting will be Tuesday, March 12, 2013 @ 3:30 p.m. at the Airolldi Building.**

The meeting adjourned at 6:00 PM

Respectfully submitted,

Angela Cook

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