

Bradford Water & Sewer Commission Minutes
July 14, 2015 at 6:30 pm
Bradford Academy Building

Attending: Robert W. Nutting, Lunnie Lang, Robert Lefebvre, Larry Drew, Bridget Simmons Jonathan Thornton & Ron Moore
Visitors: n/a
Absent: Seth Bean

Meeting called to order by Larry Drew at 6:32 pm

Visitors & Public Comment:

- Lunnie Lang commented how much nicer it looks at Appleton Drive now that they have moved out.
- Larry Drew mentioned again that they can smell chlorine in their water, Jon explained again that it's the gases in the line and that we have the chlorine at the safest lowest level possible.
- Larry Drew read that the fluoride level could be dropped due to federal guidelines, Jon stated that we have been using that amount for 2 years per instructions from the State of Vermont and that the fluoride level will not change.

Minutes:

- **Motion made by Lunnie Lang to approve minutes from June 9, 2015 as submitted. So voted. Motion passed unanimously. (4-0)**

Chief Water & Sewer Operators Report:

- **Motion made by Lunnie Lang to approve the Chief Water & Sewer Operators report as submitted. So voted. Motion passed unanimously. (4-0)**

Water New Business:

- No new business to report.

Water Old Business:

- **Burgess Farm Agreement:**
 - Bridget researched the agreement between the Water Commission and Burgess Farm. A copy was given to each Commissioner for review. Summary of the agreement is that the Water Commission purchased a piece of land by granting water usage up to 2 families and 90 head of cattle.
- **Phyllis Russ Agreement:**
 - Bridget researched the agreement between the Water Commission and Phyllis Russ. A copy was given to each Commissioner for review. Summary of the agreement is that the Water Commission purchased a right of way to install a water pipe across Ms. Russ' land by granting water usage.
- Bridget is to check with legal counsel (Georgianna) regarding these two easements and their legality.

Sewer - New Business:

- No new business to report.

Sewer - Old Business:

- Phone at the sewer plant is operational, but it cannot be used as it will not be able to be connected the sewer phone line as per All-Access.

Water & Sewer Orders:

- **Motion made by Robert W. Nutting to approve the orders as written. So voted. Motion passed unanimously. (4-0)**

Other Business:

- **ELI:**
 - The Water & Sewer Commission received the "Public Water System Construction Permit" from the State of Vermont. We have received a letter from Bernard Chenette, the P.C. for ELI, they are asking for 3,240 gpd. Lunnie Lang stated that ELI needs to complete the water permit with the Water/Sewer Commission in order to have our approval to proceed. Larry asked if that would be too much of a draw on our water, Jon stated that Mark Youngstrom our engineer from the Water Project actually did some work for ELI and there should be zero issues with the Water Department supplying this quantity of water.

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- **Bradford Motel:**
 - The Water & Sewer Commission received a letter and a copy of a bill from Sunny at the Bradford Motel. Sunny is asking the Commission to reimburse her for the costs to replace and flag pole and repair the fence which Sunny claims were damaged during the line repairs by Jason Fornwalt. Jon has inspected the property, we have not damaged either one of these items down at the Bradford Motel. Lunnie Lang would like to have L&M Construction come to our meeting before any action will take place. Bridget is to contact to Sunny and ask for the contact information for L&M Construction. Bridget is to send a certified letter.
- **Freeze-ups & Finance:**
 - A great article from Water System Specialist at VRWA, Jon has shared this with the Commission for reading at the leisure.
- **Water - South Main Street:**
 - Jon has invested this, for several years now, it's just ground water being forced on the road thru sump-pumps.

Executive Session:

- **Motion made by Lunnie Lang to enter into executive session to discuss a personnel issue at 7:24 pm inviting those in attendance to stay. 1 V.S.A. § 313 (a) (4). Those in attendance were invited to stay. So voted. Motion passed unanimously. (4-0)**
- **Motion made by Larry Drew to enter into executive session to discuss a personnel issue at 7:29 pm inviting those in attendance to stay. So voted. Motion passed unanimously. (4-0)**
- **The Commission accepts, with regret, Seth Bean's resignation dated February 28, 2015 from the Water & Sewer Commission.**
- **Motion made by Robert Lefebvre to accept Seth Beans resignation as of February 28, 2015. So voted. Motion passed unanimously. (4-0)**

- **Motion made by Lunnie Lang to enter into executive session to discuss a legal issue at 7:31 pm inviting those in attendance to stay. 1 V.S.A. § 313 (a) (1). Those in attendance were invited to stay. So voted. Motion passed unanimously. (4-0)**
- **Motion made by Larry Drew to enter into executive session to discuss a legal issue at 7:36 pm inviting those in attendance to stay. So voted. Motion passed unanimously. (4-0)**
- **Motion made by Lunnie Lang to stay with Georgianna as so leaves the Law Firm. So voted. Motion passed unanimously. (4-0)**
- **Trial dates are still the same, however The Commission has decided to stay with Georgianna as she leaves the firm.**

Motion made by Lunnie Lang to adjourn.
Meeting adjourned at 7:41 p.m.

Respectfully submitted:

Bridget Simmons, Recording Clerk