

**Wellfleet Board of Water Commissioners
Tuesday September 17, 2019
Town Hall 2nd Floor Conference Room, 6PM
Meeting Minutes**

Members Present: Jim Hood, Chair; Catharie Nass, Neil Gadwa, Tom Flynn (6:30pm)

Members Absent: Curt Felix

Others Present: Butch & Peggy Neylon, Cape Water Resource; Rebekah Eldridge, committee secretary

Chair called the meeting to order at 6:00pm

Scada System

- Chair hood updated the board on his meeting with Chief Fisette, the IT department and Dan Hoort regarding the moving of the Scada system to the police department. Hood explained that moving the system is more complex than expected. Butch and Peggy presented to the board, Butch explained to the board that after the power failure in July he set up an application on the system which will notify him anytime the system doesn't communicate with him so whitewater can be contacted. Chair Hood explained to the board that DEP has stated that Wellfleet needs to fix this system to help maintain the Coles Neck Water supply. Chair Hood will talk to Dan Hoort on how to move forward with this project and if they are able to use funds that they had with USDA. Hood stated that he wasn't sure they were going to be able to do this. They are also going to check in with Mass Works about funding. The board will recommend to Hoort that they think it is in the best interest in the town to replace the whole system rather than trying to "patch" it up in pieces.

Nass moved to pursue the full replacement of the Scada System, Gadwa seconded the motion, motion carried 3-0

135 Old Truro Road, Wellfleet (Map #8, Parcel #164)

- The chair informed the board that he is still waiting on a response from town counsel to make sure there is no liability to the town if this property is connected to town water. The board remarked that if there is no issues from town counsel they didn't see any problems with allowing the connection. Eldridge will reach out to Cape Cod Excavating let them know they will be on the list of approved contractors', but the board would prefer that Robert Our do the connection due to the familiarity of the water system. Chair Hood will reach out to the owner of the property and inform him they are waiting on the response of town counsel.

11 Railroad Ave, Wellfleet (Map #21, Parcel #79)

- Hood talked to the board about helping with the connection fee as there was confusion at the time the water office was contacted.

Hood motioned to offer a discount for the connection fee for \$3000 instead of the \$6000, Gadwa seconded the motion, motion carried 3-0

Report from Catharie

- Nass was able to get copies of different maps from the health department regarding sodium levels, nitrate levels around Wellfleet. It isn't finished yet, but this gives the board an idea of where there will be a need for water in the future. The board of health is hoping to get another intern to complete the maps soon. Nass will keep the board posted on updated and more finished maps.

Financial Model/Job Description

- Due to Felix being absent from the meeting this will go on the October 8th meeting.

Water Turn on and Shut off fees

- The board decided to keep this fee in place and have a reminder to residents in their December bills to please shut off their water for the winter to avoid freezing pipes and meters. The board discussed doing a meter read during the winter just to check on the meters and make sure there are no leaks.

Lawrence Road Housing Project

- Chair Hood updated the board that the housing committee would like an update on a consultant as they are anxious to get the housing project started. Hood stated they may have to go back to the housing committee and get help from their consultant from Mass works. Just to start the process.

Minutes

- August 20, 2019 – Nass moved to approve minutes as written, Hood seconded the motion; carried 4-0
- September 3, 2019 – Hood moved to approve the minutes as amended, Flynn seconded the motion; carried 4-0

***Topics for future meetings to be discussed**

The board will continue discussion on financial model and job description for an incoming consultant.

Meeting Adjourned 7:30pm