

**Wellfleet Board of Water Commissioners
Virtual Meeting ~ Zoom
Tuesday March 3, 2021; 4PM
Meeting Minutes**

Members Present: Jim Hood, Chair; Catharie Nass, Neil Gadwa

Members Absent: Curt Felix, Tom Flynn

Others Present: Rebekah Eldridge, Committee Secretary; Gail Ferguson, Eric Smith, Whitewater Representative; John Aprea, Whitewater Representative; Jonathan Preissler, Whitewater Representative

Scada System

- Update on work that has been done and work to be resumed March 1, 2021. Eldridge explained that Butch Neylon has not finished the Scada system update due to issues in surrounding towns. He expects to be finished with all the updates by the end of the next week.

Neptune Meters

- Smith gave an update on the new meters going over a few estimates that he sent the board. He explained to the board that they should be able to get 300 new meters in and the cost for the board will be spread out with whitewater for the next three years. Smith went more into details how the meters will be set up and used. Chair Hood recommended to the board that they should make the selectboard aware of the changes as it will affect their budget.
- **Nass moved; Gadwa seconded; and it was voted to bring the new Neptune meters and the costs related to it in front of the selectboard. 3-0**

New Water Main

- Chair Hood showed the board the report from Paul Millett from Environmental partners. He explained that Millett stated the application has been finished and filed with the executive office of the Environmental Affairs. Hood read the report from Paul Millett to the board, so they were updated with the status of this project. The start date for drilling should begin as soon as they receive the Mass DOT approval. A progress set of plans will be given to the board in the first week or two of April. Chair Hood also discussed all the plans and permits that need to be applied for and he will continue to update them regarding the progress of the water main project.

25 Main Street Wellfleet MA 02667

- Chair Hood explained to the board that he has received a phone call from the owner notifying him that she would not be moving forward with connecting to town water. She was granted access to the well on the property for year-round use.

Masonic Lane, Wellfleet MA 02667

- Chair Hood asked Preissler the status of the water at Masonic Lane. Preissler explained that as far as he knew the entire lane was connected to water. Eldridge explained that Robert Our has not reached out to Whitewater to inform them that they had completed the work and the meters were running. She has reached out to Brian Montero from Robert Our and has requested that moving forward the town be notified when the connection is complete.

Squire Pond Lane, Wellfleet MA 02667

- Chair Hood explained that he had not heard too much regarding the Lane. He also stated that the property looking to connect was close enough to Main Street that it would be possible. He will reach out to see what the next steps are with the owner.

Water Service Request

- 120 Oak Ridge Drive, Wellfleet MA 02667 (Map #7, Parcel #23)
- Chair Hood explained that the town would be responsible for digging the line to the house as it was on the old water system. They discussed how this could be done. Eldridge explained to the board that the engineer for this property has asked for a tie sheet and Chair Hood informed her that there was no tie sheet for this property. The town would be responsible for the curb stop as this is one of the properties that was involved with the contamination at the land fill. Gadwa told the board that he has a device that he will be able to locate if there is a curb stop on that street near that property.

2022 Proposed Budget

- The board postponed this conversation until all the members could be present. This will be moved to the meeting on March 16, 2021. Eldridge informed the board that the town meeting was moved from April to June 5th. She let them know that it will be like the town meeting held in September.

Minutes

- January 12, 2021 ~ **Gadwa moved, Nass seconded; it was voted to accept the minutes as written 3-0**
- February 9, 2021 ~ **Gadwa moved, Nass seconded; it was voted to accept the minutes as written 3-0.**

New Business

- Nass brought up getting an RFP for a financial consultant to help with service fees for the water system. This will be discussed at their next meeting.

Gadwa moved, Nass seconded; and it was voted to adjourn 3-0

Meeting adjourned 4:40pm

Public Records:

Budget papers for the water enterprise fund, Meeting minutes of 1/12/2021 & 2/9/2021

