

BOARD OF SEWER COMMISSIONS – MINUTES 2017  
April 10, 2017

Meeting opened at 4:30 P.M.

**Present: William Mendoza, Paul Joly, Carol Beauregard, Supt. Harold Gracia and Dianne Curtis were present.**

**Minutes:** Minutes of March 27<sup>th</sup> were approved.

**Bills were signed.**

**Reorganization of the Board of Sewer Commissioners:** Paul Joly motioned to keep the Board with no changes; William Mendoza as Chairman, Paul Joly as Clerk and Carol Beauregard as Member; Carol Beauregard seconded the motion; all ayes; none opposed; motion passes.

**Signing of Contract for Park Street Pump Station Upgrade Project from Scherbon Consolidated, Inc.:** The Board reviewed and signed the Contracts from Scherbon Consolidated, Inc. for the Park Street Pump Station Upgrade Project.

**Discussion of AECOM's Becoming the Sewer Dept.'s Consultant Engineer:** The Board discussed an email from Joe Boccadoro from AECOM regarding having him as the Sewer Dept.'s Consultant Engineer. Attached to Mr. Boccadoro's email, was a Master Design Engineer Services Agreement for the Board to review. Carol Beauregard motioned to sign the Master Design Engineer Services Agreement for AECOM; Paul Joly seconded the motion; all ayes; none opposed; motion passes.

**Discussion Re: MASS. D.E.P./Inflow & Infiltration Compliance:** Supt. Harold Gracia spoke briefly regarding E.P.A./D.E.P. requirements and how it affects the Town of Dighton. There was brief discussion regarding two articles that was in the Taunton Gazette about members from the City of Taunton going to Washington, D.C. to fight the Massachusetts Environmental Protection Agency Wastewater Upgrade Mandate. Supt. Gracia spoke to the Board regarding some I&I (Inflow & Infiltration) flows at the pump stations.

**Superintendent's Report:**

Supt. Gracia stated that when it rained around the week of March 31<sup>st</sup> to April 8<sup>th</sup>, that it affected the I&I at the pump stations. Supt. Gracia gave some figures and dates at the pump stations; for the last eight days at the Route 138 Pump Station, the average was 83,000 gallons per day (g.p.d.). In the month of February (a drier month), at the Rt. 138 Pump Station, the average was 39,000 g.p.d. He stated that there are some factors like big industrial users that would affect the g.p.d. Supt. Gracia stated that at the Lincoln Avenue Pump Station, it was 21,000 g.p.d. in February and went to 48,000 g.p.d. in the last eight days. He also stated that rainfall amounts will also affect the average g.p.d. The Power Plant Pump Station was closed in February. They were at about 9,000 g.p.d. and in the last eight days, the Power Plant Station was at about 26,000 g.p.d. Supt. Gracia stated that the Park Street Pump Station averaged in 46,000 g.p.d. in February and in the last eight days, Park Street Station averaged at 90,000 g.p.d. There was discussion regarding notifying sewer users that it is illegal to pump sump pump into the sewer system.


Supt. Gracia stated to the Board that Power Products is scheduled to inspect/service the generators at the Pump Stations beginning on Monday, April 17, 2017 (Patriot's Day). He stated that a representative from Power Products contacted Supt. Gracia and made recommendations of changing batteries, hoses, belts, etc., on all the generators. Supt. Gracia stated that he expressed to that representative at Power Products that he would need more information regarding the items they are recommending to change. Supt. Gracia discussed with the Rep the status of the pump stations and not all needed those recommended items/services.

There was brief discussion regarding the status of applications for the sewer tie-ins on Jennifer Lane.


Carol Beauregard motioned to adjourn at 5:45 pm; Paul Joly seconded; all ayes. Meeting adjourned.

Respectively Submitted,

Minutes taken by Dianne Curtis. Transcribed by Joelle Anger.

  
William Mendoza, Chairman

  
Carol Beauregard, Member

  
Paul Joly, Clerk