

BOARD OF SEWER COMMISSIONERS – MINUTES 2023
April 24, 2023

Meeting called to order at 4:41 P.M by Mr. Ferry.

Present: Tom Ferry, Mark Nicora, Harold Gracia, Superintendent, and Dianne Curtis; Robert Woods present VIA ZOOM.

Welcome to New Commissioner: The Sewer Commissioners welcome Mark Nicora as the newest Board member. Mr. Nicora was appointed by the Board of Selectmen on April 12, 2023 to fill the vacant seat.

Reorganization of the Board of Sewer Commissioners: Tom. Ferry nominated Robert Woods as Chairman; Mark Nicora seconded that nomination; all in favor; Mr. Woods becomes Chairman. Mr. Woods nominated Mr. Ferry as Clerk; Mr. Nicora seconded the motion; all in favor; Mr. Ferry remains Clerk.

Set Meeting dates for May- August: Dates were discussed and the Board agreed to schedule the following meeting dates:
May 8, June 12, July 10 and August 14, 2023

Review and Sign April 3, 2023 Minutes: Mr. Woods motioned to table the April 3, 2023 minutes as they are not yet complete, Mr. Ferry seconded the motion, all in favor, motion passes.

Correspondence: A. Legal notice from ZBA regarding a meeting on April 26, 2023 for 613 Park Street. The Board wishes to respond that sewer is available to the existing house at 613 Park Street. Elevations must be verified.

B. Correspondence from Paul Cusson regarding the Stonegate Landing pump station. Mr. Cusson states “We are trying to determine what the maximum flow is, based on the design of the pump station.” The Board will reply “Mr. Feodoroff owns the pump station. It is his responsibility to gather the information on the pump station, (current flows and flow design) and draft a letter for the Sewer Commission and it’s Engineer to review and make a determination.”

C. Does 592 Old Somerset Ave. have a stub available? Superintendent Gracia stated that the property has a 6” stub available.

D. Mrs. Curtis discussed with the Board a check for a connection and inspection that was returned for insufficient funds in the amount of \$3,125.00. The check was rejected by the bank on March 8, 2023 but the department was not notified by the Collector/Treasurer’s office until April 6, 2023. By this time, the work was completed and the homeowner had made payment to the contractor who issued the check. The Board discussed changing its procedure regarding checks and allowing connections before we know whether the check has cleared, no decision was made. Mr. Woods will speak with the Collector/Treasurer Reynolds.

E. Mr. Ferry motioned to increase the Sewer Budget by \$7,932.60 to cover the 5-hour weekly increase in the office managers pay. Mr. Woods seconded, all in favor, motion passes.

Superintendent's Report: Superintendent Gracia discussed his meeting with Assistant Plumbing Inspector Ray Hague. After Mr. Hague inspected 556 Somerset Ave's plumbing, he discovered that one drain is connected to the existing cesspool. Plumbing code will need to be met. Mr. Gracia also stated that Coastal Water & Sewer would be seeking a drain layer license.

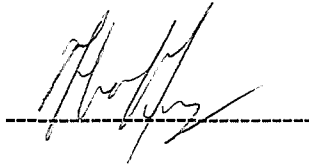
Mr. Woods motioned to adjourn at 5:45 P.M.; Mr. Nicora seconded; all ayes, meeting adjourned.

Respectively Submitted,

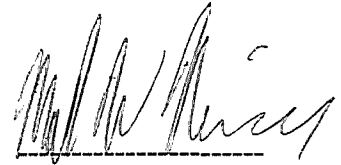
Minutes taken by Dianne Curtis. Transcribed by Dianne Curtis.



Robert Woods, Chairman



Thomas Ferry, Clerk



Mark Nicora