

**BOARD OF SEWER COMMISSIONERS – MINUTES 2019**  
**December 16, 2019**

Meeting opened at 4:30 P.M.

**Present: Carol Beauregard, Paul Joly, Thomas Ferry, Supt. Harold Gracia and Dianne Curtis.**

**Review and sign bills. Review and sign Commissioners' Quarterly Payroll.**

**Payroll was signed singularly by Carol Beauregard on 11/25, 12/2, 12/9 and 12/16/19.**

**Bills were signed singularly by Carol Beauregard on 12/2/19 and 12/9/19.**

**Minutes:** Minutes of November 18<sup>th</sup> were approved.

**New Business:**

**Mark Lyons from Gilbane and Lyford Warren and Brianna Langford from JR Vinagro, Corp. Re: New Sewer Plans and Questions for Superintendent Harold Gracia and Sewer Commissioners Re: B.C.A.H.S. Upgrade Project:** Mark Lyons from Gilbane (Contractor for the B.C.A.H.S. Upgrade Project), Lyford Warren and Brianna Langford from JR Vinagro (Sub-Contractor for the B.C.A.H.S. Upgrade Project) met before The Board and Supt. Harold Gracia with questions regarding the sewer upgrade project at the Bristol County Agricultural High School (B.C.A.H.S.). Mr. Lyon reviewed plans with The Board and Supt. Gracia and stated what has been done so far. He indicated by the plans that a line was tied into Center Street and grease traps were set. Mr. Warren stated that there was one more tie-in to do on Center Street but will not be done until the spring time. There were discussions and questions regarding inspections and the work which still needs to be done. Supt. Gracia stated he has not seen any submittals or have done any inspections. He stated that he would at least like to see the area before being backfilled. There was discussion regarding coordinating with AECOM for inspections and also some progress notes or submittals. The schedules of aspects of the project were also discussed. The drawings the gentlemen provided are the definitive drawings. The Board and Supt. Gracia thanked Mr. Warren, Ms. Langford and Mr. Lyons for coming to the meeting.

**Strawberry Fields Development (Bisher Hashim) Re: Discussion on Rt. 138 Pump Station and Sewer Commissioners' Expectations Regarding Engineering:** Bisher Hashim met before the Board and Supt. Gracia regarding the Strawberry Fields Development and the Sewer Commissioners' expectations for sewer. Supt. Gracia asked Mr. Hashim if he has the sewer designs specifications for the Town of Dighton, which Mr. Hashim stated that he does have that. Mr. Hashim stated that his engineer, Jacobs Driscoll Engineering is designing the system based on the Town's specifications. There was discussion between Supt. Gracia and Mr. Hashim regarding the engineers needing flow numbers information for sewer and pump station. Mr. Hashim requested the Sewer Dept.'s engineer contact information so that both engineers can communicate regarding the sewer design. Mr. Hashim thanked The Board and Supt. Gracia for their time.

**Fixed Assets Inventory Information:** The Board and Supt. Gracia discussed a list that was received regarding inventory information of fixed assets for the Sewer Dept.

**Correspondence:**

**Christopher Borrello, 404 Swanee Drive Re: Flood in His Cellar:** The Board and Dianne Curtis discussed correspondence from Christopher Borrello of Swanee Drive, requesting credit on his sewer bill due to a flood that occurred in his cellar. The Board requested more information from the homeowner and will make a decision by the next Board Meeting.

**E-mail from Drain-Layer, John Martelly, Requesting Extension of Permit for 476 Tremont Street Connection, Originally Approved on 07/22/19:** The Board discussed a request from John Martelly of Martelly Building and Design, to extend the sewer connection permit for 476 Tremont Street. Thomas Ferry motioned to extend the Sewer Connection Permit for 476 Tremont Street for John Martelly at Martelly Building and Design, to the end of the Calendar Year; Paul Joly seconded the motion; all ayes; none opposed; motion passes.

**North Dighton Fire District Backflow Prevention Inspection for Lincoln Avenue and Park Street Pump Stations:** The Board reviewed the Backflow Inspection Reports from the North Dighton Fire District for the Lincoln Avenue and Park Street Pump Stations. The Backflow Inspections passed.

**Drain-Layers License Renewal Approval for M&R Excavating, Inc. 2019:** The Board reviewed a Drain-Layer renewal application for 2019, for M&R Excavating, Inc. Paul Joly motioned to approve the Drain-Layers License renewal for M&R Excavating, Inc. for 2019; Thomas Ferry seconded the motion; all ayes; none opposed; motion passes.

**Drain-Layers License Renewal Approval for J.R. Vinagro, Corp. 2020:** The Board reviewed a Drain-Layer renewal application for 2020, for J.R. Vinagro, Corp. Thomas Ferry motioned to approve the Drain-Layers License renewal for J.R. Vinagro, Corp. for 2020; Paul Joly seconded the motion; all ayes; none opposed; motion passes.

**Set New Board Meeting Dates:**

*All Board Meetings begin at 4:30 P.M.*

January 13<sup>th</sup> and 27<sup>th</sup>, 2020

February 10<sup>th</sup> and 24<sup>th</sup>, 2020

March 9<sup>th</sup> and 23<sup>rd</sup>, 2020

April 13<sup>th</sup> and 27<sup>th</sup>, 2020

**Superintendent's Report:**

Supt. Harold Gracia stated that he received some correspondence from a woman at Woodard & Curran regarding the Sewer Study on Rt. 138.

Supt. Gracia stated that the Missions System at the B.C.A.H.S. Pump Station has been working. He and The Board reviewed some of the data from the Missions System. Dianne Curtis requested the data reports to forward to AECOM.

Thomas Ferry motioned to adjourn at 6:30 P.M.; Paul Joly seconded; all ayes. Meeting adjourned.

Respectively Submitted,

Minutes taken by Dianne Curtis. Transcribed by Joelle Anger.

Carol Beauregard  
Carol Beauregard, Chairman

Paul Joly  
Paul Joly, Clerk

Thomas Ferry  
Thomas Ferry