

**BOARD OF SEWER COMMISSIONERS – MINUTES 2019**  
**October 7, 2019**

Meeting opened at 4:30 P.M.

**Present: Carol Beauregard, Paul Joly, Supt. Harold Gracia and Dianne Curtis. Thomas Ferry was not in attendance.**

**Review and sign bills.**

**Payroll was signed singularly by Carol Beauregard on 9/23, 9/30 and 10/7/19.**

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**Commissioners' Payroll was signed.**

**Minutes:** Minutes of August 22<sup>nd</sup> and September 16<sup>th</sup> were approved.

**New Business:**

**5:15 P.M. Representatives from Forest Hills:** Josh Glass from DI Trust and Jason Youngquist from Outback Engineering met before The Board regarding the Forest Hills Project. Mr. Youngquist began by stating that this project has been in the works for approximately the past 10-15 years with The Planning Board. He stated that there was a settlement agreement with The Planning Board for the Subdivision. He presented to The Board, the layout of the subdivision off of Forest Street. Mr. Youngquist stated from the plan he presented, which would be 100 - single-family homes and 35 - 55 and over homes. Supt. Harold Gracia asked how it was indicated on the plan which were the single-family homes, and which were the 55 and over homes. Mr. Youngquist stated that on the plan, the single-family homes are indicated as lots and the 55 and over homes are indicated as 'units' and it is also indicated with a letter included with the plans. Mr. Youngquist stated that he is proposing to tie in to the sewer on Forest Street, which would be gravity. Mr. Youngquist stated that based on Title Vs, the projected gallons per day (G.P.D.) was 49,250 G.P.D. He stated that the plan was to extend the sewer line into the Subdivision with an 8" sewer main. Mr. Youngquist stated that he was in the process of finalizing the definitive plans with The Planning Board and the Conservation Commission as well and begin the process with the Board of Sewer Commissioners. Josh Glass from DI Trust stated that this is a phase plan. It was stated that the preliminary plans do not indicate the different phases, however the definitive plans will indicate the different phases. Chairwoman Carol Beauregard questioned if the Planning Board had inquired anything from the Sewer Dept. regarding this project. Dianne Curtis stated that the last plans from the Planning Dept. was preliminary plans from 2008. Mr. Youngquist stated that they were currently in the process with getting the definitive plans. Paul Joly asked when this project would begin. Mr. Youngquist and Mr. Glass stated that Phase 1 is intended to begin within the year. Supt. Gracia stated what he looks for in the plans, regarding sewer. There was discussion regarding lot size, ground water and different specs of the project. Supt. Gracia questioned if the manholes could be GPS coordinated. Mr. Youngquist stated that the manholes could be designed to be located via GPS. Mrs. Curtis asked Mr. Youngquist if they had a copy of the Sewer Dept.'s Rules and Regulations. Mr.

Youngquist stated that he accessed the Rules and Regulations via the Town of Dighton website. There was discussion regarding fees that are indicated in the Rules and Regulations. The contract between Town of Dighton and the City of Taunton for the Inter-Municipal Agreement (I.M.A.), flow capacity in the Town and if there is enough capacity for this project was also discussed. Mr. Youngquist asked what the next step would be. Chairwoman Carol Beauregard stated that more definitive plans would be needed for the Sewer Dept.'s engineer to review. Supt. Gracia agreed. Josh Glass questioned if the sewer design had any impact in regard to flow. Supt. Gracia stated that he did not believe so. Mr. Youngquist stated that there would be one definitive plan for The Sewer Dept. and The Planning Board to review. Josh Glass asked Supt. Gracia questions regarding timing limits in the Rules and Regulations from applying to building. Supt. Gracia explained that the Sewer Commissioners are in the process of searching for an engineer. Mr. Glass stated that he would keep the communications open with the Sewer Commissioners and Supt. Gracia. The Board and Supt. Gracia thanked Mr. Youngquist and Mr. Glass for coming to the meeting.

**Discuss the Mission Communications System for Monitoring at BCAHS:** Dianne Curtis stated to The Board that Ryan Miranda from Bristol County Agricultural High School (B.C.A.H.S.) contacted her to notify her that the Mission Communications System for monitoring for the Pump Station will be installed about the end of September/beginning of October. Mrs. Curtis stated that Mr. Miranda informed her that B.C.A.H.S. will pay for this monitoring for the first three years, at the cost of \$347.00 per year and if the Sewer Dept. wanted to keep this monitoring, the Sewer Dept. would have to take over the payments. Mrs. Curtis stated to The Board and Supt. Harold Gracia that she and Joelle Anger (Office Clerk) worked on spreadsheets for expenditures and revenue for the B.C.A.H.S. Pump Station for Fiscal Years 2018 and 2019. Mrs. Curtis stated that the Revenue for FY 2018 was approximately \$3,000.00. This includes the two residents that are tied in to sewer on that same line. Part of this revenue goes toward treatment to the City of Taunton. The expenses for FY 2018 was \$9,537.96, leaving a deficit of \$8,467.96. The Revenue for FY 2019 was \$1,120.00. The Expenditures for FY 2019 were \$14,432.28, leaving a deficit of \$13,312.28. The B.C.A.H.S. Pump Station needed a pump, which raised the expenditures higher than average for FY 19. Supt. Gracia stated that the Sewer Dept. should purchase another pump to have on-hand. He discussed more details about the Mission Communications System for the monitoring.

**Discuss Pump for the Town Hall Pump Station:** There was discussion regarding the purchase of a pump for the Town Hall Pump Station.

**Discuss AECOM's Report Re: BCAHS Upgrade:** Dianne Curtis stated to The Board and Supt. Gracia, that she spoke with Jarrod Trainor from AECOM. She stated that AECOM's recommendations were not clear at the previous Board Meeting on August 22<sup>nd</sup> with Joe Boccadoro and Jarrod Trainor from AECOM, Chuck Samiotes from Samiotes Consultants, Inc. Ryan Miranda, Facilities Manager at Bristol County Agricultural High School (B.C.A.H.S.) and Laura Wernick from HMFH. She stated that AECOM's recommendations was on a report from July 29<sup>th</sup> to Samiotes Consultants, Inc. There was discussion regarding design analysis of the upgraded pump station.

Paul Joly motioned that the Applicants (B.C.A.H.S.) complete the design analysis of the existing B.C.A.H.S. Pump Station at the existing proposed future sewer flow rates; Carol Beauregard stepped down as Chair and seconded the motion; all ayes; none opposed; motion passes.

The Board stated that they want a letter be sent to B.C.A.H.S. and carbon copied to Samiotes Consultants, Inc. stating that The Board is not comfortable with the Engineer for B.C.A.H.S.'s findings.

**Review On-Call Services Contract from Wright-Pierce; Weston & Sampson and GHD Engineering:**

The Sewer Dept. received proposals from Wright-Pierce, Weston & Sampson and GHD Engineering for on-call services for the Sewer Dept. It was agreed to have Supt. Gracia to review the proposals. Supt. Gracia asked The Board what they are looking for with engineering needs. It was agreed among The Board and Supt. Gracia to have each of the engineers attend the next Board Meeting.

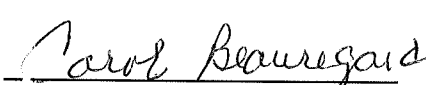
**Superintendent's Report:**

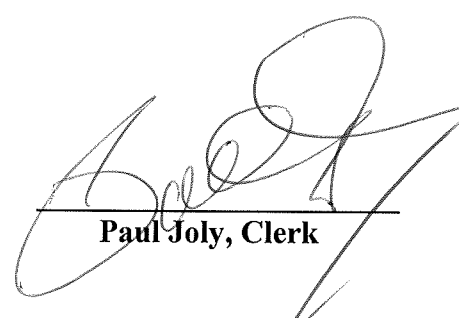
Supt. Harold Gracia stated that he had high level alarms at the Rt. 138 Pump Station during the previous week. He stated that he would typically purge the system. He stated that when he purged the system, his level control display was completely blank. He stated that he had to go to the Rt. 138 Pump Station every two hours and run pumps on manual. He stated that he did this from 6:00 P.M. the previous Wednesday evening until the next day. Supt. Gracia stated that he had called the Town Electrician, Paul St. George. Supt. Gracia and Mr. St. George worked on this Pump Station for that day as well as Mr. St. George working at this Station for an additional couple of days.


Paul Joly motioned to adjourn at 6:31 P.M.; Carol Beauregard stepped down as Chair and seconded; all ayes. Meeting adjourned.

Respectively Submitted,

Minutes taken by Dianne Curtis. Transcribed by Joelle Anger.

  
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Carol Beauregard, Chairman

  
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Paul Joly, Clerk

  
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Thomas Ferry