

Dighton Water District
192 Williams Street
North Dighton, MA 02764

Edward Swartz
Jeffery Cloonan
Sue Medeiros

COMMISSIONERS

Tina Bragga
TREASURER

THE FOLLOWING MEETING WAS BOTH AUDIO AND VIDEO RECORDED

Tuesday, November 18, 2014 at 6:00 P.M.
Water District Headquarters

Chairman of the Board of Commissioners, Ed Swartz, called the meeting to order at 6:00 P.M. on Tuesday, November 18, 2014.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

MEETING WITH SCHEDULED GUESTS: Scheduled guest was not attendance.

APPROVE MINUTES OF PRIOR MEETINGS:

Chairman Ed Swartz entertained a motion to approve the minutes of the meeting of Tuesday October 21, 2014 and the Special District meeting of November 13, 2014. Commissioner Sue Medeiros, so moved, Commissioner Jeff Cloonan seconded the motion, all were in favor.

READING OF CORRESPONDENCE:

Ed received a recap letter from Attorney David Gay regarding the intermunicipal discussion meeting of November 5th. Tina will copy and forward to the board.

FINANCIAL CONDITION:

Sue read the financial conditions, attached. Ed asked for a motion to accept the financial conditions, Sue so moved, Jeff seconded, motion passed.

SUPERINTENDENTS REPORT:

Superintendent Greg Olsen reported that the District is currently reading residential meters.

There are 6 spots in the District that need to be paved, Greg has made several attempts to contact the contractor, will continue.

Greg stated he has received two bids for the electrical upgrade to 527 Somerset Avenue and has awarded to the lowest bidder Leal Electrical Services. Greg would still like to pursue changing

of the light fixtures at 527 Somerset Avenue that are outdated. The District had an energy audit done by Mass Save but have not received the report. Greg will continue to look into this matter.

Greg reported that at the Town's Special meeting they accepted three roads, one of which the District had signed off on. Two of the streets, Courtlyn and John, were not signed off by the District. The District was not notified that these streets were going to be accepted. The roads were put before the town and accepted. Greg continued that it is important for the District to sign off on future streets prior to going to town meeting so the District can make any comments. Ed asked that a letter be sent to the planning board, copying the board of Selectman.

Greg reported that a resident from Elm Street would like to meet with the board to discuss extending the water main to his property that is contiguous to the last house serviced by the District. Greg questioned the board on fees for the project stating that the gentleman would have to replace the present 6 inch main with 8 inch main that now runs from Hart Street to just before his property. The existing homes would need to be reconnected to the new 8 inch main. Ed said the board would have to discuss.

Greg reviewed policy changes. Ed asked Greg to redraft policy changes for the December meeting, the board will review and make final decisions at that point prior to a Public meeting. Ed suggested the board will have the public meeting at the Town Hall on December 18th. Notice will be posted on the Districts website and in the Taunton Gazette after the December 9th meeting.

Ed asked for a motion to accept the Superintendents report, Sue so moved, Jeff seconded, motion passed.

OLD BUSINESS:

Policy Updates – Previously discussed

January Special District Meeting – Previously discussed, no longer needed.

Payroll Service/Online Pay Update – Tina reported she is still waiting for a few more quotes on payroll services.

District Bank Accounts – The board signed to change the Clerk/Treasurer's name on all District bank accounts.

NEW BUSINESS:

Commissioner Jeff Cloonan suggested increasing the meter program special article line to expedite replacing old meters. The board discussed and Ed stated if the funds run out this year we will put additional money in next year.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Next regular meeting of the Board of Commissioners will be December 9, 2014 at 6:00 P.M.

PUBLIC INPUT: Sue wished everyone a happy Thanksgiving.

Donnie Jefferson questioned if there were funds available for GIS (Geographic Information System) mapping. Greg stated valve and hydrant information is available for mapping. Service information needs to be update prior to mapping. Ed suggested coordinating with the town on the GIS mapping and to report back at the December meeting.

Executive Session – Personnel Matters

Chairman Swartz made a motion to go into executive session and would not be returning to open session.

ADJOURNMENT: Chairman Ed Swartz made a motion to adjourn at 7:06 P.M.

Respectfully Submitted,

Tina Bragga
District Clerk

Those in Attendance:

Edward Swartz
Jeffrey Cloonan

Sue Medeiros
Tina Bragga

Greg Olsen
Jim Ready

Chairman Ed Swartz

Clerk Jeff Cloonan

Commissioner Sue Medeiros