

BOARD OF WATER COMMISSIONERS

MEETING MINUTES

Date: September 19th, 2019 Time: 4:30 PM Location: Norwell Water Department
345 Main Street, Norwell

In Attendance: Steve Ivas, Peter Dillon, Fred St. Ours St. Ours, and Water Superintendent Jack McInnis

BOWC Meeting Minutes Prepared By: Donna Snow

1. The Board members signed abatements, commitments and vouchers.
2. Jack McInnis will be on vacation starting Monday September 23rd for the entire week.
3. Jack McInnis provided a status of the Phillip Drive Tank, at this point fifty percent is complete and the entire exterior of tank was stripped and primed but the interior work has not started. Peter Dillon explained a change order was done to remedy rust on the inside dome of the tank. It will be another three to four weeks more and then Jack McInnis indicated they can start on the punch list. Steve Ivas asked if the weather will prohibit them from finishing and Jack McInnis confirmed they would be done in time.
4. Water demand was reviewed and Jack McInnis shared a print out that Allen Perlin prepared for the board showing that the demand has dropped off from the end of August to September. Fred St. Ours noted the combination of, not a lot of rain and cooler temps have allowed some of the brown grass to regenerate. Peter Dillon remarked that well #10 is now turned off; Jack McInnis confirmed and added that well #6 and #10 are due for cleaning and redevelopment.
5. New Hire Updates – a new meter reader starts on Monday Sept. 23, 2019, he lives locally and is a resident of Kingston who will be well suited for both office and field work. For the new distribution mechanic position Jack McInnis explained he will work with Barbara Childs for a fresh new advertisement.

6. Additional Business: Jack McInnis noted that Glenn Ferguson had made a request for irrigation at the Stetson Shrine cemetery. The system would include a 10 zone/ 4 head per zone/ 8 gallons per minute per head running an hour a day twice a week; this would result in about 40,000 gallons of water per week. Fred St. Ours explained he would decline the request due to the volume of water and Jack McInnis noted no other cemetery has irrigation in town. The water would be abated as a municipal account but Jack McInnis did not approve and the board recommended a well would be preferable. Glen Ferguson stopped into the meeting briefly after this discussion and the reasons were further explained. Peter Dillon advised NWD could not allow more water for irrigation due to the current Water Management Act permit. Glenn Ferguson also inquired if there was irrigation at the library; the BOWC confirmed there is not.
7. Review of the DEP Boston Harbor Order To Complete (OTC) Draft Permit, Jack McInnis asked Peter Dillon to expand on item #2 and Peter Dillon confirmed he would. The permit was dated July 31st and referred to a draft permit and pumping rates from 2006.
- Peter Dillon agreed to take this task to completion.
8. Fred St. Ours motioned to adjourn; Peter Dillon seconded; all in favor at 5:40 pm.

Accepted: Stetson Date: 03 OCT 19