

1. The regular schedule meeting of the Somerset Board of Water & Sewer Commissioners was called to order by Chairman, Scott O'Brien at 4:00 P.M. in the Commissioner's Office, at the Water Treatment Plant, 3249 County Street, Somerset, MA.

Commissioners present: Chairman, Scott O'Brien, Vice Chairman, Roger Benevides and Clerk Joseph Bednarik.

Also present: Superintendent Robert Bozikowski, Harold Gracia and Patty Carreiro.

The next scheduled meeting for the Board of Water & Sewer Commissioners will be held on Wednesday, October 16, 2019 at 4:00 P.M.

2. The Board voted to table approval of the minutes of September 17, 2019 meeting of the Board of Water and Sewer Commissioners. The motion was made by Chairman Benevides and seconded by Clerk Bednarik. All in favor.

3. Routine vouchers totaling \$75,211.96 for the Water Department and \$4,813.31 for the Water Pollution Control Facility were approved and signed by the Board. They are to be hand delivered to the Town Accountant's Office in the morning.

The reservoir level is 116" below full.

Plant flows for the Water Department are 2.2 million gallons per day.

Plant flows for the Waste Water Pollution Control Facility were 1.9 million gallons per day.

4. A. Superintendent Bozikowski recommended increasing the sewer development fee and multi-unit connection fees. The Board decided to table the matter for further discussion at a later date.

5. There was no correspondence received.

6. There was an application for a water service for Ken Mallicone at 15 Sadie Way. Clerk Bednarik moved to table the approval until a utility easement is granted. Motion was seconded by Vice Chairman Benevides. All in favor.

Superintendent Bozikowski will speak to Tim Turner (Planning Board) in the morning regarding the issue.

7. A. Mr. Gracia stated that there were four PH violations in the month of September due to the biological process.

Somerset Fire Department found five violations at the Water Pollution Control Facility during an inspection this past week. Mr. Gracia stated the most of the violations were corrected.

Dublin Street Pump Station ran on generator on October 8th for National Grid power outage. Main power was restarted on Wednesday, October 9th.

Route 6 generator should be delivered by this week and will be installed shortly.

A laborer at the Water Pollution Control Facility was out of work for a week due to an illness.

7. B. A public notice was sent for DBPR exceedance with the October sewer bills. All the required paperwork was filed with DEP.

No contaminants were detected so far from UCMR IV sampling. Testing will continue until May 2020.

Both water storage tanks are now in service. This is to refresh the water in the East Tank and to prepare for the planned shutdown of the Water Treatment Plant for filter effluent valve replacement.

Operations of the Water Treatment Plant continues to cycle water storage tank levels as much as possible. This has allowed for an average of 5 to 6 hour shut down per day of the Water Treatment Plant. No water quality issues have been received.

Mass DEP has scheduled a Sanitary Survey of all Somerset Water Department facilities on October 10th. Preparations are underway for the inspection.

Hart Engineering has completed the last filter unit and is now planning to schedule the two effluent valve replacements. This will be completed after the Mass DEP Sanitary Survey.

The final tie-in for Sunshine Drive (off Fishers Way) connecting Homer Drive is complete and operational. This creates the loop for Fishers Way and the

Remington Dr. area. If time and money allow in 2019. Fishers Way will be tied into Pilot/Anchor eliminating three dead end mains.

Final tie-in for John Street, corner of Wilber Avenue is pending. State DOT permits are required for excavation and valve isolation needs to be verified.

7. C. Safety training will be held on November 19th and 20th. This training will count towards operator license renewals.

Fairfield Hotel connection line was originally said to be an 8" line but a 6" line was installed instead. The owner would like to be refunded the difference which is \$6,352.89. The Board decided to table the matter until further discussion.

Superintendent Bozikowski stated that \$81,000.00 of equipment will be purchased under the EDA Equipment project including file/billing computer server, pumps, check valves, heaters, etc.

Mr. Bozikowski received a call today from Woodard Curren who is working for the Town of Dighton. They are inquiring about getting sewer integrated management plans, capital improvement plans and consent orders. Superintendent Bozikowski asked them to set up a meeting to explain their project.

8. Executive Session- None

9. No further business appearing. Chairman O'Brien motioned to adjourn the meeting at 5:15 P.M. Seconded by Clerk Bednarik. All in favor.

Respectfully submitted,
APPROVED:



Scott O'Brien
Chairman



Roger Benevides
Vice Chairman



Joseph Bednarik
Clerk

October 16, 2019