


TOWN OF GORHAM, NEW HAMPSHIRE

MINUTES: Water & Sewer Commission Meeting

DATE: 14 July 2021 TIME: 4:00 PM

PRESENT: Jeff Tennis, Lee Carroll, Ted Miller, Matt Saladino in to discuss his bill, Mike Roy in to discuss bill for filling swimming pool, Brad Bedard and Betty Villeneuve in to discuss bill issue.

- Roger Goulet unable to attend due to work commitments.
- Reviewed meeting minutes of 28 June 2021 Water and Sewer Commission Meeting and signed same.
- Reviewed invoices and signed same.
- **Reviewed Supplemental Water & Sewer Commitments** of 12 July 2021 in the amount of \$457.15. Signed same.
- **Reviewed 2021 Water & Sewer Capital Reserve Funds** through June. Signed same.
- **Matt Saladino regarding leak.** Commissioners agree to abate $\frac{1}{2}$ excess sewer based on allowed 3,300 cubic feet water (normal). Revised bill to be issued with approximately 1000 cubic feet sewer abated.
- **Mike Roy in to discuss possible policy change** for swimming pool abatement for one time. Commissioners note that sewer abatement for this year is proper based on 1997 policy. Commissioners will review policy to consider whether the one-time abatement is reasonable in the future. A new bill to be sent noting abatement.
- **Discussed possible rental of hangar** for an aircraft over the winter. Agreement similar to Dr Glennly with modifications. Final draft to be reviewed by Commissioners.
- **Lead & Copper tests for Gorham System** with disinfection by products samples delivered last week to NHDES lab.
- **Backhoe had an issue.** Probable engine failure that will get repaired under warranty. Cross Street temporary lines about ready. Backhoe on loan ready to proceed with work.
- **Wednesday, Pike Industries** is supposed to correct the 5 manholes that were not set properly on Main Street.
- **Question by Paul Robitaille** regarding "milky" looking water in Moose Brook. Not an issue of Department. It would be an issue to bring to NHDES attention.
- **Reviewed RFQ/RFP responses for study of Mill wastes** being treated by Town with treated effluent returned to Mill for process use. Department requested responses from CMA Engineers, Wright Pierce Engineers, and Underwood Engineers. Never received correspondence or communications from CMA. Received note from Wright Pierce that they are not interested in submitting a proposal, their letter of 12 July 2021. Underwood Engineers submitted a qualifications package and a separate cost proposal in separate envelope, as requested. Commissioners present, based on foregoing, elected Underwood Engineering for possible selection. Their cost proposal on a time and materials basis would be \$102,400. If the State were to provide the applied for \$50,000 grant for this study, the balance would have to be paid by the Mill before the Department would award the project. Underwood Engineers to be notified that acceptance now subject to grant award by State and Mill payment of any funds in excess of the grant.
- **Brad Bedard & Betty Villeneuve in to discuss bill** on 25 Glen Road property. Commissioners agree to abate sewer portion of bill to a 6,300 cubic feet water use, which is approximately average for same quarter over the past 4 years. New bill to be issued.
- The next Commission Meeting is Monday, 26 July 2021 at 4:00 PM.
- There was no non-public session at this meeting.
- Meeting adjourned at 5:30 PM.


Theodore A. Miller, Commissioner


Lee F. Carroll, Commissioner


Roger G. Goulet, Commissioner