



LISBON WATER DEPARTMENT

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Commissioners' Meeting Minutes for February 25, 2008

Members Present: Stanley Doughty Jr, James Gurney, and William Bauer

Staff Present: None

Audience Present: Dave Hale, Jim George of Industrial Tower & Wireless

Meeting called to order by Mr. Doughty Jr., at 6:30pm.

I. AUDIENCE PARTICIPATION

A. Inquiry for Cell Tower usage at the Standpipes

1. Mr. George introduced himself and explained that Industrial Tower & Wireless is a developer that identifies gaps in cell phone coverage, secures a piece of property, builds a tower and leases the property to tenants. Mr. George inquired if LWD would allow further co-location on the standpipe outside of T-Mobile and the other carrier that is currently leasing from LWD. He said that they are considering other locations for their tower but their primary target is downtown Lisbon.
 - a. Mr. George did some research at the Town for information on LWD agreements. He presented copies of a letter from LWD to Dragon Products Company, Inc. that prohibits any further development in that area and the T-Mobile building permit. He also provided copies of color photographs of the Lisbon standpipe property and information about the T-Mobile tower.
 - b. Mr. Bauer stated that there was stipulation a that T-Mobile could not weld or use any heat treatments on the standpipe itself. He said that the same stipulation would apply to Industrial Tower & Wireless if they get to that point.
 - c. They discussed the issue further between the differences of the current towers at the location.
 - i. Mr. Gurney asked them if they wanted to attach their tower to the standpipe and Mr. George said that they did not and that they were not looking to build on this site. They are doing research to find out if there is potential for other towers to be placed at the standpipe location, which may or may not affect their decision on where to purchase property and build their tower.
 - ii. The Commissioners agreed that they would consider other potential tenants, but their primary concern is preventing any damage and preserving the structure of the tank.
 - iii. Mr. George inquired about ground space and if the dynamics of the lot would allow them to lease additional ground space and allow for future

development. Mr. Bauer stated that there would be no future development with regards to the normal activity in the Dragon gravel pit. He explained the significance of the nearby wellhead that would be affected by any further activity in the gravel pit. He did not consider the cell towers a potential hazard to contaminate the well or the public water supply.

iv. Mr. George asked if the Commissioners had any stipulations with T-Mobile about restricting expansion and the Commissioners said that they did not think so. Mr. George asked if there would be anything to stop T-Mobile from adding an additional 20 feet to the height of their tower and taking on a tenant and collecting rent. Mr. Gurney stated that he did not see a problem if T-Mobile wanted to add additional height to the tower and add a tenant, as they are in the money making business.

v. The Commissioners said that they would leave a request for Mr. Adams to help Mr. George with any other questions he may have.

II. WARRANTS

A. Warrant 7 for February 13, 2008-Approved

B. Warrant 8 for February 20, 2008-Approved

III. OLD BUSINESS

A. Reading and approval of minutes:

1. Minutes from February 11, 2008

a. Mr. Gurney made a motion to accept the minutes as written. Mr. Bauer 2nd the motion followed by a positive unanimous 3/0 vote.

B. Tabled Items

1. Wellhead Protection-Tabled until the next meeting with the Planning Board.

2. Dragon Property- Tabled- Mr. Adams is still waiting for an e-mail from councilor Norma Wells on the Town's decision.

3. Employee Badges-Tabled until the March Meeting

4. Software Charges from the Town-Tabled until Mr. Adams can clarify the e-mail responses from Mr. Leighton, Mr. Eldridge, and Mr. Evrard.

5. On Call Duty-Tabled

6. New Truck-Tabled until LWD receives bid proposals.

C. Other Old Business

1. None

IV. NEW BUSINESS

A. General Manager's Report

1. None

B. Other New Business

1. Original copy of the Minutes

a. Mr. Gurney stated that last meeting he had asked if the original copy of the minutes were being used and it was stated that they were. He said that he would like to put something in place to protect them. He proposed that if someone wanted to listen to the minutes then they would have to pay to have a copy made. He said that Ms. Reynolds mentioned that we were getting a different recording device to record the minutes on which would then be saved to a cd. Then copies could be made from this cd.

b. Mr. Gurney made a motion to prohibit anyone from taking the original tape from Ms. Reynolds, but copies would be made upon request at the requester's expense,

effective immediately. Mr. Bauer 2nd the motion followed by a unanimous 3/0 vote.

C. Next Meeting Date

1. Next Meeting date is for Monday, March 10, 2008 at 6:30pm.

V. EXECUTIVE SESSION

A. MRSA Chapter 13 Sec. 405 (6) A Personnel

1. Mr. Gurney made a motion to enter Executive Session. Mr. Bauer 2nd the motion followed by a positive unanimous 3/0 vote.
2. Mr. Gurney made a motion to exit Executive Session and Mr. Bauer 2nd the motion followed by a positive unanimous 3/0 vote.
 - a. Mr. Doughty Jr. stated that the discussion was centered around personnel and licensing.

VI. ADJOURNMENT

- A. Mr. Gurney made a motion to adjourn and Mr. Bauer 2nd the motion followed by an affirmative 3/0 unanimous vote. The meeting adjourned at 7:50pm.

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