



LISBON WATER DEPARTMENT

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Marie Hale, Chairman, James Lemieux & Roger Bickford Commissioners

Commissioners' Meeting Minutes for July 09, 2019

Members Present: Marie Hale, Jim Lemieux, and Roger Bickford

Staff Present: Bill Alexander Jr and Shellie Reynolds

Audience: None

Meeting called to order by Ms. Hale at 5:32pm

I. EXECUTIVE SESSION

A. None

II. AUDIENCE PARTICIPATION

A. None

III. WARRANTS

- A. Warrant 25019 (June 19, 2019)-Approved
- B. Warrant 26019 (June 26, 2019)-Approved
- C. Warrant 27019 (July 03, 2019)-Approved
- D. Warrant 28019 (July 10, 2019)-Approved

IV. OLD BUSINESS

A. Reading and Approval of Minutes

1. June 11, 2019

- a. Mr. Lemieux made a motion to accept the minutes as written for June 11, 2019. Mr. Bickford 2nd the motion followed by a positive unanimous 3/0 vote.

B. Lisbon Emergency Lease Status

- 1. Mr. Alexander said that the electrical is completed and we are now on generator backup. He said that estimate was for \$1,309.00 and the final cost was \$1,210.87. He said that Lisbon Emergency has made improvements to the existing building as well. He said that all that remains is to have the overhead line disconnected by CMP.

C. Referendum Question

- 1. Ms. Reynolds said that she and Mr. Alexander had been working on the project list to give bond counsel and idea for the question. She said that we may have to have an additional

meeting to address the approval of a question to submit to Town Council for consideration at their next meeting.

- D. Unresolved Issues
 - 1. Memorial for Bill Bauer
 - 2. Kelly Park Infrastructure Approval Letter
- E. Any Other Old Business
 - 1. None

V. NEW BUSINESS

- A. Superintendent's Report
 - 1. Main St Valve Repair
 - a. Mr. Alexander said that the repair of the leaking valve on Main St is scheduled July 11th. Longchamps had availability and were able to accommodate us.
 - b. He said that he has also sent out requests for paving for the previous break on Main St.
 - 2. Moxie Day Presentation
 - a. Mr. Alexander showed the Commissioners the board that the staff put together to illustrate what a complete service looks like. He said they did a great job.
 - 3. 37 Ferry Rd Dig Safe Issue-June 26th
 - a. Mr. Alexander said that the contractor for the Sewer project pulled and unmarked service. He said that it belonged to a house that is no longer there.
 - 4. Hasey St Service Line Break
 - a. Mr. Alexander said that the customer's side of the service broke when the Sewer project contractor was compacting the trench. He said that the line had deteriorated and broke. He said that they fixed the line and sent us a bill. He said that the bill did not belong to the Water Dept. as it was not due to anything from the Water Dept that is should be between the customer and the contractor to work out.
 - 5. 38 Ferry Rd Main Break
 - a. Mr. Alexander said that there was a main break near 38 Ferry Rd on the same day as the last 2 incidences. He said that we hired St. Laurent as they were already there from previous leak. Mr. Lemieux heard the call go out for water main break and he responded as Fire Dept. personnel to help direct traffic away from open hole until the contractor and Water Dept. staff got to site.
 - 6. PUC Dig Safe Inspector
 - a. Mr. Alexander said that the Dig Safe Inspector stopped by to touch base on all the dig safe incidences. Mr. Alexander said that he felt it was a good meeting and he said that they would find us in contempt and will send us letters as required, but felt we were doing all the right things to correct the issues.
 - 7. Propane Bid for 2019/20 Season
 - a. Mr. Alexander said that he sent out requests for propane bids for the 2019/2020 winter season and the overall low bid was MW Sewall for \$1.199/gal. Mr. Bickford made a motion to accept the bid for MW Sewall for \$1.199. Mr. Lemieux 2nd the motion followed by a positive unanimous 3/0 vote. Mr. Alexander said that the price per gallon last year was \$1.299/gal
 - 8. PFOS & PFAS Testing for Rockwell Collins.
 - a. Mr. Alexander said that he was contacted by MDEP about testing the Rockwell Collins site. He said that the new owner is being very aggressive to remediate the site and they are

testing for PFOS and PFAS and would forward a copy of the results to us for our information.

B. Business Manager's Report

1. None

C. Commissioner Communication/Requests

1. Mr. Bickford-Mr. Bickford got tonnage price for pipe and it was \$150/ton to use to price the discarded pipe that Mr. Bickford wishes to purchase from the Water Dept.
2. Mr. Lemieux- None
3. Ms. Hale
 - a. July 26th she will have hand surgery and may not be available to sign the warrant but will keep the office staff in the loop.
 - b. July 17th she will be pet sitting for the Town Mgr but will be available
 - c. August 8th she has Jury Duty and may not be available for warrant or Thomas Pt. Beach.
 - d. She said that she heard that Grimmel's trailer park is going to the Planning Board looking to expand their park.
 - e. She said that she will be a Moxie Float judge.

D. Complaint Log

1. 06/26/19-Several complaints dirty water, low pressure, no water due to 2 water breaks on Ferry Rd.
2. 06/10/19-4 Booker St-vibration in pipes
 - a. Mr. Alexander visited the site but the issue did not occur while he was there.
3. 06/10/19-3 Russell St-Brown sediment
 - a. Mr. Alexander said that we are flushing this street once a month to mitigate this issue and he has done some other research and found some old records that showed a potentially discontinued line and they will check and see if she is served off a different line than the neighbors who have no issues with dirty water.
4. 06/11/19-720 Lisbon St-dirty water
 - a. Mr. Alexander had staff visit the location and believes it to be calcium.
5. 06/14/19-3 David St-water report from boiler company
 - a. Mr. Alexander said that the customer came to the office with a letter from his boiler company stating that they will not honor a warranty on his boiler any longer due to excessive chloride levels.
 - b. Ms. Reynolds said that the original reason the customer was upset is that he thought the letter said that his water was not potable water. But the words were taken out of context in "that their findings were in regards to the device; not potable water." Mr. Alexander said that he did some research on his own about the device and then he checked the last test results on our wells for the chloride levels and Ann St was 72, Bauer was 43, and Moody was 49 which is well below the limit. He did say that the concentrated water in the customer's boiler unit could have reached 110 which was not acceptable for his warranty. Ms. Reynolds asked what contributes to chloride levels and Mr. Alexander said that it is salt and de-icing agents. He said that this has been an issue in the past and he is going to be doing more frequent testing to see if it changes with the use of the road salt and such.
6. Grimmel's Trailer Park-dirty water
 - a. Tenant in the park called to complain about dirty water and we referred them to their landlord as it is a private system.

E. Customer Comments

1. None

F. Other New Business

1. Thomas Pt Beach Conference

- a. Ms. Reynolds said that we received the conference sign up for the Thomas Pt. Beach conference that has training, tapping contest and lunch and went over costs for lunch. Mr. Alexander said that he would like the operators to attend for the training, networking, and appreciation lunch. Ms. Reynolds said that she and Ms. Masse did not need the training and did not wish to attend the tapping contest or the lunch. Ms. Reynolds asked if it is for employee appreciation will we close the office at 11am as in the past. The Board discussed the issue.
- b. Mr. Bickford made a motion to approve the conference for all employees and Board members that wish to attend and close the office at 11am for employee appreciation. Mr. Lemieux 2nd the motion followed by a positive unanimous 3/0 vote.

G. Next Meeting

1. The next regular Commissioners' Meeting is Tuesday, August 13, 2019 at 5:30pm at the Lisbon Water Dept.

VI. ADJOURNMENT

- A. Ms. Hale made a motion to adjourn. Mr. Lemieux 2nd the motion followed by a positive unanimous 3/0 vote. The meeting was adjourned at 6:34pm.