



LISBON WATER DEPARTMENT

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Marie Hale, Chairman, James Lemieux & Roger Bickford Commissioners

Commissioners' Meeting Minutes for August 13, 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 5:27pm

I. EXECUTIVE SESSION

- A. None

II. AUDIENCE PARTICIPATION

- A. None

III. WARRANTS

- A. Warrant 29019 (July 17, 2019)-Approved
- B. Warrant 30019 (July 24, 2019)-Approved
- C. Warrant 31019 (July 31, 2019)-Approved
- D. Warrant 32019 (Aug 07, 2019)-Approved
- E. Warrant 33019 (Aug 14, 2019)-Approved

IV. OLD BUSINESS

- A. Reading and Approval of Minutes
 - 1. July 09, 2019-Tabled

- B. Moody Filters

- 1. Mr. Alexander said that they removed all the old media from the last 3 filter vessels, cleaned the underdrains, and installed all the new filter media. He said that they began early morning on 07/25 for a long day and night. They completed the testing on the 26th and were up and running. He said that the Water Dept. staff and the staff from Ted Berry did an excellent job.

- C. Corrosion Control

- 1. Mr. Alexander said that he sent a request for proposal to both Wright-Pierce and Dirigo Engineering for the corrosion control design and report and to include sequestering the hardness as well. He said that Wright-Pierce's bid was \$9,500 and Dirigo's bid was \$16,000. He said that we may also need to add disinfection at all the well sites to prevent bacteria that can be created by using phosphates. He said that it can also aggravate a lead and copper issue so we will need to test for Lead & Copper leaching every 6 months until it is shown to not be a problem. The Board discussed the issue and Ms. Hale made a motion to accept the bid from

Wright-Pierce for \$9,500. Mr. Bickford 2nd the motion followed by a positive unanimous 3/0 vote.

D. Moxie Festival

1. Mr. Alexander said that he attended the Moxie Festival from 8-3:30pm. He said he was in the Planning Board's tent with the demonstration board for the water service and a piece of pipe from the last main break. He said he had a few questions and showed a lot of kids how to read the meter on the demo board. He said he had great dialogue with the Council members and Planning Board members that were in the same booth.

E. Referendum Question

1. Ms. Reynolds said that she had sent the referendum documents for the Board for review and have asked for their approval or changes. Mr. Lemieux made a motion to accept the documents from Bond Counsel to present to the Town Council tonight. Mr. Bickford 2nd the motion followed by a positive unanimous 3/0 vote.

F. Unresolved Issues

1. Memorial for Bill Bauer
2. Kelly Park Infrastructure Approval Letter

G. Any Other Old Business

1. None

V. NEW BUSINESS

A. Superintendent's Report

1. School St Leaking Service
 - a. Mr. Alexander said that on 07/19 they had a leaking service on 2 School St. He said that we had Longchamps respond to do the repair and Aceto & Sons paved the hole along with the other approved work that they had scheduled that day.
2. Paving Proposals
 - a. Mr. Alexander said that he sent our requests for proposal to several contractors for paving the Main St break area which included South St, the intersection for North St., and the parking lot on South and Main St that was undermined in the break. He received only one bid from Aceto & Sons for \$31,000. The Board discussed the issue and Ms. Hale made a motion to accept the bid from Aceto & Sons for \$31,000. Mr. Bickford 2nd the motion followed by a positive unanimous 3/0 vote.
3. St. Laurent Service Pull-Nason St
 - a. Mr. Alexander said that on 07/23 the contractor for the Sewer project pulled another service that was marked on Nason St. He said that the service was shallower than the contractor had anticipated and hit the line. He said that the contractor also found a 2" water main that wasn't marked.
4. Meeting with Town Mgr. & Public Works Dir
 - a. Mr. Alexander said that he met with the Town Mgr., the Public Works Director, and Sewer Superintendent on 7/30 to discuss the current and future projects. He said that he hopes to be able to coordinate our future work with theirs to save rate payers money and residents' inconvenience from multiple construction projects. He said that he took a potential list but will update it as the need arises.
5. Franklin St Valves Repair/Replace
 - a. Mr. Alexander said that in the prep for flushing the staff exercises valves that will be used and in the process a valve on Franklin and a valve on Webster are now leaking that will have to be dug up and repaired or replaced.

6. Ferry Rd Valve
 - a. Mr. Alexander said that there is a valve that is leaking on Ferry Rd that he will need to schedule the repair of as well. He said that he thought of removing this valve but due to potential future railway use he does not feel we should give this up.
7. Flushing
 - a. Mr. Alexander said that the system wide flushing began on 8/26 and is going really well.
8. Chlorinate All Stations
 - a. Mr. Alexander said that he will send a report to Maine Drinking Water Program for the plan to chlorinate all well sites.
- B. Business Manager's Report
 1. 2019 Budget Review
 - a. Ms. Reynolds presented the Board with a budget report thru June 30th.
- C. Commissioner Communication/Requests
 1. Mr. Bickford-None
 2. Mr. Lemieux- None
 3. Ms. Hale
 - a. Ms. Hale said she is excused from Jury Duty this time for medical issue but will come up again in October.
 - b. She said that she will be taking a vacation in September to go to the County.
- D. Complaint Log
 1. 07/01/19-9 Faith St-water not drinkable/plugs fixtures
 - a. Mr. Alexander said that he needs to make appointment to visit location.
 2. 07/15/19- 16 Ridge Rd-dirty water
 3. 07/16 & 07/17 Entire Hinkley St- dirty water with photos
 4. 07/19/19-12 Park St-dirty water
 5. 07/19/19- 1 Zamore St-gray water every morning
 6. 07/23/19- 16 Upland Rd- dirty water off and on
 7. 07/24/19-6 Alora St-sand and low pressure
 8. 08/05/19-9 Grandview St-brown water
 9. 08/05/19-Several complaints on Webster-dirty water
 - a. Mr. Alexander said that we had a series of dirty water calls and we haven't been able to identify the cause but we have been flushing the areas that customers have called about.
 10. 08/02/19-3 Russell St-dirty water
 - a. Mr. Alexander said that we have flushed the blow-off monthly
 11. 08/08/16-6 Cedar St-dirty water
 - a. Mr. Alexander said that this was due to flushing and we have since opened a blow-off to address the issue.
- E. Customer Comments
 1. 52 Main St wrote that we always have exceptional customer service, friendly & kind.
- F. Other New Business
 1. BUE Contract
 - a. Ms. Reynolds said that she engaged BUE to solicit bids for our energy contract for the Moody St location. She said that Liberty came in at .07976 and Direct Energy was just

below for a 3 year contract. She said that she would reach out to Direct Energy as they are the current supplier and see if they would meet the low rate.

- b. Mr. Bickford made a motion to accept the low bid from Liberty or Direct Energy whoever was the lowest offer. Ms. Hale 2nd the motion followed by a positive unanimous 3/0 vote.

G. Next Meeting

1. Commissioners' will attend the Town Council Meeting tonight at 7pm at the Town Office in the Council Meeting Room.
2. Public Hearing Meeting is September 3, 2019 at 7pm at the Town Office in the Council Meeting Room.
3. The next regular Commissioners' Meeting is Tuesday, September 10, 2019 at 5:30pm at the Lisbon Water Dept.

VI. ADJOURNMENT

- A. Mr. Lemieux made a motion to adjourn. Ms. Hale 2nd the motion followed by a positive unanimous 3/0 vote. The meeting was adjourned at 6:20pm.