

January 27, 2009

A regular meeting of the Board of Water Commissioners/Water Quality Review Committee was held on Tuesday, January 27, 2009 in the Michael G. MacPherson Meeting Room at the Elm Street Pumping Station and was called to order at 7:00 P.M. by the Chairman, Robert R. Kostka. Present were: Robert R. Kostka, Fred D. Svenson, Jr. Richard W. Loring, Jr., Mark Devine of Coler & Colantonio, Matthew J. Darsch, Superintendent and Marylou Joyce, Clerk.

The following invoices were approved for payment:

See Attached

On a motion of Fred D. Svenson, Jr., it was unanimously voted to approve the records of the meeting of January 13, 2009.

Paul L. Armstrong, Building Inspector/Zoning Enforcement Officer (without appointment)

Mr. Armstrong stated that he had met earlier today with Town Administrator Kevin Donovan, Thomas Bott, Town Planner, Selectmen Mark Beaton and Paul Gallagher, Assessor James Judge and several representatives of P.A. Landers to discuss a proposal by P.A. Landers for a land acquisition involving the purchase of 14 acres of town owned land for money and the gift of two parcels of land adjacent to Camp Nekon. In addition there would be a gravel removal project that would benefit the town financially and leave the land suitable for development of some kind.

Mr. Armstrong presented a written endorsement of this plan from Selectmen Mark Beaton (see 4A). Since this land is within an overlay district for one existing and one proposed drinking water well, Mr. Armstrong was interested the comments of the board. He was advised there would be no support from this board for the proposal since it appears to have no benefit to the aquifer. Mr. Loring stated that this area has already been compromised by gravel removal projects in adjacent Plymouth land. To add to this by allowing additional gravel removal within Kingston's boundaries would pose a risk while offering no benefit to Kingston's existing and future drinking water needs. Mr. Armstrong stated that in addition to meeting local regulations, this proposal would have to be presented to a future town meeting for approval.

Mark Devine – Coler & Colantonio

Mark stated that he and David Doran met here on January 20, 2009 with Paul Basler, Superintendent of Streets and Superintendent Darsch regarding the Pembroke Street job, on the 22nd of January he met with MA Highway and their engineers at the job site along with Mr. Basler and Superintendent Darsch. Topic of discussion was the condition of existing culverts and their proximity to water main. It was agreed that the culverts would be inspected.

Superintendent Darsch stated that the culverts were inspected today and were judged to have a life of 5-10 years. Written confirmation will be sent to Paul Basler, Superintendent of Streets who will then forward them to MA Highway. There was a great deal of discussion regarding the advisability of proceeding with this section of an eleven million dollar project as planned given the prediction of a relative short life for the culverts, especially in view of the fact that the project will result in additional weight to the culverts and leave the water main vulnerable to damage. It was decided to wait and see what the official written report recommends.

The board noted the correspondences between Kevin Donovan, Town Administrator and J. Cougler, Inc. Ms. Joyce was instructed to ask Mr. Donovan if we should forward a copy of these letters to our Attorney Thomas Harrington of Miyares & Harrington.

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With regard to the request by Tod Cote of ECI Inc., Mr. Darsch was instructed to tell Mr. Cote to remove his pipe.

Mr. Devine stated that he had spoken to Nancy Howlett, Assistant to the Town Administrator regarding the bid for the Trackle Pond Cleaning and that they had come up with a schedule for advertisement and a bid opening date of February 18th at 1 p.m. This bid will also include for the inspection of the pump, its possible repair/replacement and the replacement of the pump at Millgate, due to its loss of productivity.

Mr. Devine submitted a draft report on the feasibility study for a micro hydro project at Elm Street Pumping Station. A full report will be issued soon. Mr. Loring presented copies of the study report done by the Jones River Watershed Association regarding the possible elimination of the dam at Russell Pond. Mr. Loring stated that he believed the partners involved in compiling this report will not be in favor of our plans to construct a micro-hydro project here at Elm Street.

Mark stated that all water quality samples were taken from 1-86 and results should be in by the end of January. He brought in all the soil samples that were taken from different depths during construction of the well. Mr. Devine will look at our permit for 1-86 and see if there is any concern as posed by the sewer department (see 6C).

Matthew J. Darsch, Superintendent

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

1. Well Site 1-86
2. Indian Pond Tank
3. R.F.P. – parking at Smith Lane Tank
4. Police Antenna Repair
5. Second Brook Well Site
6. Marty's

NEW BUSINESS

- a. 1/13/09 – Debbie Cook, Greenscapes Mgr., North/South Watershed re: 2008 activities
- b. 1/14/09 – email from Kevin Donovan, Town Adm. re: State Aid cuts
- c. 1/14/09 – Sewer Commissioners re: DEP Conditions to New Well Permit
- d. 1/14/09 – emails from and to Kevin Donovan, Town Adm. re: Ec. S
- e. 1/14/09 – copy of letter from Kevin Donovan T.A. to Cougler, Inc. re: Pottle St. Bid
- f. 1/15/08 – email from Tod Cote, ECI Inc. re: HDPE Pipe
- g. 1/15/09 – email from Joan Paquette, Town Acct. re: Surplus Revenue
- h. 1/15/09 – Kingston Historical Commission re: Elm Street Pumping Station
- i. 1/20/09 – Copy of a letter from J. Cougler to Kevin Donovan, T.A. re: Pottle St. Bid
- j. 1/21/09 – emails from Pine DuBois, JRWA re: Wapping Rd. Dam Presentation
- k. ZBA Notice of Public Hearing – 45 Shore Dr. (1/21/09)
- l. ZBA Notice of Public Hearing – High Pines 40B Condos (1/21/09)
- m. 1/21/09 – Kevin Donovan, T.A. re: Town Administrator Search Committee
- n. 1/21/09 – Copy of bid award from Kevin Donovan, T.A. to McLaughlin Bros. Re: Pottle St.
- o. 1/22/09 – Email from Mark Devine, Coler & Colantonio re: Trackle Pond Well Clean Bid
- p. Old Colony Planning Council Agenda

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APPLICATIONS

None

MONIES RECEIVED SINCE OUR LAST MEETING

Champion Builders - Meter	\$310.00
Thorndike SG LLC – Eng. Reimbursement	\$406.56
Independence Center LLC – Eng. Reimb.	\$2197.37

ABATEMENTS

See Attached

COMMITMENTS

See Attached

WATER DEPARTMENT CORRESPONDENCE SINCE LAST MEETING

- a. 1/14/09 – Kevin Donovan, Town Adm. re: Thorndike 40B Application
- b. 1/16/09 – Kevin Donovan, Town Adm. re: Pottle St. Bid

WATER QUALITY REVIEW COMMITTEE

No Additional Business

On a motion of Richard W. Loring, Jr, it was unanimously voted to adjourn the meeting at 8:00 P.M.

Respectfully submitted,

Marylou Joyce
Clerk