

BOARD OF WATER COMMISSIONERS' MEETING
MARCH 8, 2010
5:30 P.M.

MEMBERS PRESENT: Jack Caten, Niles Busler and Fran McNamara.

GUESTS PRESENT: Supt. Paul Rafuse, James Blanchard, Brenda Boudreau, Robert Hotaling, Paul Nicoli, Nicholas Thalheimer, Gregory Barnes, Susan Lisio, Kim Fales, David Chenelle, Anne O'Connor, Jennifer Langston and Jean Dinon-clerk.

Jack opened the meeting at 5:30 p.m.

DECISION: The Board voted unanimously to approve the minutes of February 8, 2010, February 22, 2010 and March 1, 2010.

OLD BUSINESS:

1. Paul discussed MTBE settlement money. Jack said we are here for discussion of the MBTE money with the Selectmen. Robert Hotaling is here who was superintendent at the time that it came about. There was a lengthy discussion. It was decided to pay off the two Witch's Brook loans so that the town can consolidate the remaining towns' loans and get a better interest rate. Greg talked to bond counsel and will have that information for the next meeting. There is going to be an article for the town meeting. The meeting with the Selectmen was adjourned at 8:12 p.m. The next scheduled meeting with the Selectmen will be Monday, March 22, 2010 at 6:00 p.m. here.
2. Paul discussed budget. Jack said Jim gets \$.50 raise upon passing his next test. Niles said most of our budget is fixed. James Blanchard made the comment that \$300.00 longevity wasn't in it. Jim doesn't like the Water Department not getting paid for the hydrants. Jack would like to give hydrants to Fire Department. The Water Department would do repairs to the hydrants only. Jack said we can reduce our budget by 5-10% if we give up the maintenance of the hydrants. Jack would like level funded with 2.5% raise for superintendent.

DECISION: The Board voted unanimously to approve \$797,675.00 for FY 11 budget which is level-funded with 2.5% raise for superintendent.

NEW BUSINESS:

1. Jean reported Michael Culley, 13 Balsam Drive, abate \$4.14 late charge.
DECISION: The Board voted unanimously to abate \$4.14 late charge to Michael Culley, 13 Balsam Drive.
2. Jean reported Diane & Phil Aiello, 20 Maplewood Drive, abate \$4.36 late charge.
DECISION: The Board voted unanimously to abate \$4.36 late charge to Diane & Phil Aiello, 20 Maplewood Drive.

The next scheduled meeting will be Monday, March 22, 2010 at 5:30 p.m.

The meeting was adjourned at 9:10 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Jean R. Dinon, Clerk

