



RAYNHAM BOARD of SEWER COMMISSIONERS

RAYNHAM, MASSACHUSETTS

MEETING MINUTES – JANUARY 11, 2024

PRESENT: Mr. Joseph Bettencourt, Chairman, Mr. Joseph Bickel, Commissioner and Mr. Rob Carey, Raynham Sewer Superintendent

ABSENT: Mr. Jeff Kelleher, Commissioner

CALLED TO ORDER:

Mr. Bettencourt called the meeting to order at 6:00pm

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Meeting Minutes – November 9, 2023

Motion: Moved by Mr. Bickel and seconded by Mr. Bettencourt to approve the Sewer Commission meeting minutes of November 9, 2023. Discussion: None. Vote: 2-0-0

SUPERINTENDENT’S REPORT

Mr. Rob Carey

Department Operations

The crew has been busy during the past month with storm cleanup. There has been three major storms and the Department had to remove trees within the sewer easements.

Sewer Office Generator

Kraft Power has performed a startup on the newly installed generator today and everything worked flawlessly.

Taunton meeting

Mr. Bettencourt and Mr. Carey attended a meeting with Taunton DPW Commissioner on December 20th. Discussions included project status related to the plant and main pump station and Raynham flow allotment. Phase 1 of the pump station project was completed except for a few punch list items. Phase 2 of the treatment plant is scheduled to be completed in May 2024.

Mr. Carey will be attending a meeting on January 17th related to the replacement of the South Street East Old Colony Bridge crossing over the Taunton River into East Taunton.

Sewer Use Billing

The billing process has begun and Brenda is inputting and updating the information for the next billing cycle. Mr. Carey will need to confirm, but flow related to commercial accounts appears to be trending up from previous cycles. As mentioned before, the flow for both Burger King’s located on Rt. 24 seems to have doubled.

Sewer Connections

There has been one connection since the beginning of the year. There is interest in the building at 52 Gatsby Drive which is a four-unit building.

Sewer Department Electrical Technician

Last month Mr. Carey announced that he received fourteen applications for the position. Chris Bryant from East Taunton has experience with generators, lighting, and controls. Mr. Carey presented the Board with a copy of Mr. Bryant's resume and informed that Mr. Bryant will be starting in the position on January 22, 2024.

Fiscal Year 2025 Budget

Mr. Carey has begun preparations for the budget and will be presenting to the Board at the next meeting.

ARPA Generator Project

Tighe & Bond submittals have been approved and the order for the generators have been released. The expected lead time for the generators is 40 weeks., but the contractor will confirm.

Mill Street culvert replacement

The project continues to move forward although somewhat behind schedule due to weather conditions. The delivery of the pre-cast arch culvert was scheduled for January 19th but the area is flooded. The Board reviewed photos of the culvert area.

Rt. 44 Diesel Tank Replacement Project

The project is ahead of schedule. The removal of the old tank with the collapsing and filling of the preexisting vault was completed. The cement slab has been poured and the new 1,500-gallon tank is in place. The next steps will be piping of the new tank into the building and the installation of a day tank.

COMMISSIONERS COMMENT

No discussions.

ADJOURNMENT

Mr. Bettencourt asked for a motion to adjourn.

MOTION: Moved by Mr. Bickel and seconded by Mr. Bettencourt to adjourn from the Raynham Sewer Commission Meeting of January 11, 2024 at 6:13p.m. for the performance of administrative duties only. Vote: 2-0-0

Transcribed from Recording

Respectfully submitted,

Dawn Caradonna
Recording Secretary

Documents provided to the Sewer Commission

Mr. Carey's Report
Chris Bryant resume

Next Meeting date:

Thursday, February 8, 2024 @ 6:00 p.m.
