

Foxboro Board of Water and Sewer Commissioners

Open Meeting Minutes

September 15, 2020

Members in Attendance: Mike Stanton, Chairman; Richard Pacella, Vice-Chairman (Remote); and Robert Garber, Secretary

Others in Attendance: Bob Worthley, Superintendent; Chris Gallagher, DPW Director

The meeting was called to order at 7:00 p.m. by Chairman Stanton.

Discuss/Review/Sign Conservation Restrictions for Butterfly Habitat – Lamson Road

Chris – The MESA permit from the Oak Street Plant construction is still active. The Land Management Plan needs to be set. Large trees needs to be remove.

A Conservation Restriction also needs to be set for the habitat area. This can be done by a CR to an outside agency like Mass Audubon. Another option is to deed the piece of the Water Department property to the Conservation Commission, and the remaining town property to the Conservation Commission.

Bay Colony has a plan for an easement; this will be converted to a property line on an ANR plan.

The Water Department will continue to maintain the property in order to meet the requirements of the Land Management Plan. It will be ready for the next Town Meeting.

Discuss IMA Mansfield

Discussion centered on updating a 1915 IMA with Mansfield water to service residents of Foxborough on East Belcher Road and Spring Street. This will allow Mansfield to install their water meters, and take over billing responsibility for the existing customers, as well as any new customers along that main. A motion was made by Robert Garber to accept the IMA between the Town of Foxborough Water Department and the Town of Mansfield for municipal water service for a certain section of Foxborough, MA. The motion was seconded by Rich Pacella. The motion passed unanimously.

Update Station One Treatment Plant

DEP completed the final inspection of the plant, and will issue final approval to begin operation on October 1, 2020, pending compliant results of PFAS and VOC's sampling. Final pavement will be this month.

Update on Current Water Restrictions

The Town is still in a full water ban and still under DEP's Emergency Drought Declaration. Drought conditions exist statewide. Foxborough is at Level 2 – Significant Drought. The full ban will remain.

Action Items

The minutes from May 5, 2020 and June 2, 2020 were reviewed.

A motion was made by Bob Garber to approve these minutes. Rich Pacella seconded the motion. The motion was approved unanimously.

- Motion to accept Change of Ownership for 38 Central St made by Bob. Second by Rich. Motion approved unanimously.

- Letter from Board of Water & Sewer Commission to Todd Walker for appreciation of service upon retirement, read into the record.

- Letter from Board of Water & Sewer Commission to Philip Loder for appreciation of service upon retirement, read into the record.

- Superintendent's Report

Excited to turn on new plant October 1. Lots of SCADA upgrades along with the new plant.

Oak Street out to bid. Contractor start by November, wells back online by May.

Mike Stanton – properly qualified and licensed professionals are a requirement when filling positions.

Upon motion duly made by Robert Garber and seconded by Michael Stanton, it was voted to adjourn at 7:30 p.m.

These minutes of September 15, 2020 were approved on December 8, 2020



Robert T. Garber, Clerk