

Foxboro Board of Water and Sewer Commissioners

Open Meeting Minutes

June 13, 2023

Members in Attendance: Mike Stanton, Chair; Richard Pacella, Vice Chair and Robert Garber, Secretary

Others in Attendance: Chris Gallagher, DPW Director, Robert Worthley, Water Superintendent, Lance DelPriore, Town Engineer

Meeting Initiation - 7:00 PM

Quorum reached. Mr. Stanton called the meeting to order.

Discuss PFAS Litigation

DPW Director asked the Board how would the board like to proceed? The Town has received multiple proposals from firms. Does the Board want to review the proposals, or should they be reviewed with the new Town Manager?

Mike – Why is PFAS being treating different than other standards that EPA and DEP have put into place in regards to limits? Why would it trigger litigation against the producing companies when other chemicals have not?

Rich – agrees that the standard if too restrictive, but EPA and DEP are moving forward and going to force PFAS removal on the water systems.

Mike – wants to know if the media maintenance/disposal makes the Town a generator? Has asked that Bob W look into this standard.

Mike – would like to further discuss what our claim would be? Is it a short term fix or long term?

Bob G – requests that the DPW Director review this with special council. What is the right time to get involved with this type of litigation? What is the right way to protect ourselves from the pending EPA standard?

The sense of the Board is to do his own research over the next few weeks and meet again in July or August to further discuss.

Discuss Foxborough/Sharon IMA - Sewer

Chris explained that the final agreement has been drafted by Special Council Stephen Madaus, with input from Foxborough staff, and recommends approval or the revised IMA with Sharon.

Motion made by Bob G, 2nd by Rich. Motion was approved 3 in favor, 0 against.

Action Items:

Motion to accept the minutes from May 23, 2023 by Bob Garber and seconded by Rich Pacella. Motion was approved 3 in favor, 0 against.

Upon motion duly made by Robert Garber and seconded by Richard Pacella, it was voted to adjourn at 8:05 p.m.

These minutes of June 13, 2023 were approved on November 13, 2023



Robert T. Garber, Clerk