

Town of Wilmington
Water & Sewer Commission
OCTOBER 19TH, 2023 Meeting

The Water and Sewer Commission met on October 19th, 2023. The meeting was called to order at 5:00 PM. Present were Chairman Michael Camoscio, Commissioner George Allan, Joseph Lobao, DPW Deputy Director, and Recording Secretary Kimberly Surette.

Approval of Minutes September 21st, 2023, Meeting

ON A MOTION MADE BY COMMISSIONER ALLAN, SECONDED BY CHAIRMAN CAMOSCIO, IT WAS VOTED TO TABLE THE MINUTES OF THE September 21st, 2023, MEETING OF THE WATER & SEWER COMMISSION.

Billing Adjustments & Correction

No adjustments or Corrections were made.

Monthly Report

Commission Members had a brief discussion relative to the high amount of rainfall this summer season compared to 2022. Town wide water usage has been down so the Town has been able to meet water demand by primarily using Town sources. The Town has not had to purchase as much water from the MWRA compared to last year.

12 Shawsheen Avenue- Easement

The Commission Members reviewed a Grant of Water Easement to Agreement by Ruth J. Gronemeyer of 12 Shawsheen Avenue, Wilmington MA to the Town of Wilmington. The Easement Agreement has been reviewed and approved by Town Counsel. This easement was signed by the two present Commission members, Mr. Allan and Mr. Camoscio and will be signed by the third Commission Member, Mr. LaVita, at his earliest convenience. This utility easement will be made part of the permanent record within minutes of this meeting.

Hillside Way Water Storage Tank Cleaning

Utility Service Company, a third-party tank inspection company, was at the Hillside Water Storage tank the week of September 25 to clean the walls and floor of the empty tank. A comprehensive inspection of the interior and exterior of the tank was also completed. The formal inspection report has not been received but the town was verbally notified that were no issues identified that required immediate action.

Granular Activated Carbon replacement- Sargent Water Treatment Plant

Mr. Lobao notified the Commission that the Granular Activated Carbon (GAC) at the Sargent Water Treatment Plant was replaced earlier this week. The board briefly discussed the increased frequency and costs that the town must pay in order to meet current PFAS regulations. Mr. Lobao

briefed the Commission on the expectation that costs, and frequency are projected to increase even more due to another EPA PFAS Regulation that is expected later this year.

Fire Hydrant Winterization

Water department employees have begun winterizing the 1300 plus fire hydrants in Town. This endeavor consists of making sure that all hydrants are operable, drained of any standing water and hydrant flags are installed or replaced as necessary.

Indoor Water Conservation Pamphlets

The Tips for Water Conservation Pamphlets will be enclosed with the next water bill to go out November 1st.

Other Business

The board briefly spoke about adding a clause to the Water Meeting Agenda, to allow a time limit on Public Comments. The board would like to give residents a 5-minute time limit per person. ON A MOTION MADE BY COMMISSIONER ALLAN, SECONDED BY CHAIRMAN CAMOSCIO, IT WAS VOTED TO APPROVE PLACING A 5-MINUTE TIME LIMIT PER PERSON DURING THE PUBLIC COMMENT SECTION.

Public Comment Period – There were none.

Next Meeting

The next meeting will be November 16, 2023.

There being no further business a motion to adjourn carries at 5:46 PM.

Respectfully Submitted by:



Kimberly Surette, Recording Secretary