

Town of Wilmington
Water & Sewer Commission
November 21, 2019 Meeting

The Water and Sewer Commission met on November 21, 2019 in Room 9 at the Town Hall. The meeting was called to order at 5:30 PM. Present were Commissioner George Allan, Commissioner Robert Lavita, Utility & Business Manager Joseph Lobao, and Recording Secretary Diane Forest.

Approval of Minutes – September 19, 2019 – Tabled

Approval of Minutes – October 17, 2019 – ON A MOTION MADE BY COMMISSIONER LAVITA SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER ALLAN IT WAS VOTED TO APPROVE THE MINUTES OF THE OCTOBER 17, 2019 WATER & SEWER COMMISSION MEETING.

Billing Adjustments & Corrections

There were none.

Monthly Report

The October 2019 monthly report was presented to and reviewed by the Commission members.

Nassau Avenue Water Storage Tank Update

Mr. Lobao updated the W&S Commission members of the progress at the Nassau Avenue WST. The contractor is buttoning up the finishing touches. The tank is all bolted and they are working on the sealant and the garage & manway door. Since the last meeting they have installed the ladder, the perimeter walkway, the support brackets for the telecommunication providers, and the overflow piping. Upcoming work consists of installing the overhead & pass through door, the lightening protection, the gravel access driveway and the fencing. It is still anticipated that the new tank will be placed on line by the end/beginning of the year. The demolition of the old tank will take place during the next fiscal year.

Woburn Street Water Main Update

The private contractor has completed the work. The pipe has been filled and it passed the pressure and bacteria test. The main is planned to be put on line tomorrow.

Hydrant Winterization

Water Department employees have been winterizing the hydrants. This endeavor consists of checking all hydrants to make sure they are operable, drained of any standing water and hydrant flags are installed as necessary.

Salem Street and Shawsheen Wellfield Redevelopment

This is a capital project. The bid opening was held on October 16, 2019. The low bidder was Maher Services \$30,810, the second low bidder was Dennis Maher \$45,646 and the high bidder was Weston & Sampson \$73,783.

FY2021 Water & Sewer Budget Update

There are two phases to the budget submittal process, the Capital Outlay Budget and the Operating Budget. The Capital Plan ideas have been submitted to the Town Accountant and the Town Manager for review. These items include:

- Nassau Avenue WST Demolition
- MWRA Valve System Replacement
- Well Cleanings
- Upgrades for Water Mains/Hydrants
- 2 Pick Up Trucks
- Barrow's Well Vacuum System
- Salem Street Well Field Replacement

The draft Operating Budget will be completed and submitted to the Town Accountant and Town Manager in a couple of weeks. Mr. Lobao will keep the Commission informed.

Other Business - None

Public Comment Period - None

Next Meeting

The next meeting is scheduled to be held on December 19, 2019.

There being no further business a motion to adjourn carries at 6:00 PM.

Respectfully Submitted by:


Diane Forest, Recording Secretary