

Town of Wilmington
Water & Sewer Commission
May 18, 2017 Meeting

The Water and Sewer Commission met on May 18, 2017 in Room 9 at the Town Hall. The meeting was called to order at 5:30 PM. Present were Chairman Joseph Balliro, Commissioner George Allan, Commissioner Robert LaVita, Utility & Business Manager Joseph Lobao, and Recording Secretary Diane Forest.

Approval of Minutes

MOTION MOVED BY COMMISSIONER ALLAN SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER LAVITA WAS UNANIMOUSLY APPROVED TO ACCEPT THE MINUTES OF APRIL 13, 2017 MEETING.

Billing Adjustments & Corrections

There were none.

Monthly Report

The monthly report for the April 2017 meeting was presented to the Commission for review.

Leak Detection

Joseph Lobao informed the Commission that every two years, the Water & Sewer Division contracts a company to perform a system wide leak detection survey. Four quotes were submitted ranging from \$12,250 to \$18,375. Prowler Water Conservation was the low bidder and will begin leak detection towards the end of July. Water main, hydrant and service leaks will be identified and repairs will be made utilizing Water Division personnel and equipment.

Annual Water Main Flushing Program

The annual water main flushing program is approximately 60% complete. There have been minimal phone calls from residents experiencing discolored water and/or water pressure issues.

Project Updates

1. 2" Water Main Project – On Whitefield Terrace, approximately 300' of 2" iron water main will be replaced with 8" ductile iron pipe and the addition of one fire hydrant. This project is scheduled to begin in June and will be completed by the Water Division crew.
2. Middlesex Avenue Water Main Improvement Project – Water main will be upgraded from Federal Street to the Congregational Church. Approximately 1,500' of 12" water main will be installed. Cedrone Corporation out of Billerica MA has been awarded the contract with the low bid of \$251,518.
3. Route 125/Ballardvale Street Water Main Improvement Project – Approximately 3,800 linear feet of 6" water main will be replaced with 12" ductile iron water main. Three bids have been submitted to the Town, with Joseph P. Cardillo and Son, Inc. submitting a low bid of 1.4 million dollars. The other two bids came in at 2.0 million dollars and 2.2 million dollars.

The bid prices received were over the amount budgeted for FY18. To increase the funds available for this project, the Commission voted to transfer the remaining \$230,000 from the WTP Coagulant Conversion Account and the remaining \$76,869.07 from the Brown's Crossing Redevelopment Account to the Route 125 Ballardvale Street Water Main Account (FY18).

Other Business

Michael J. Woods, DPW Director along with Joseph Lobao, Utility & Business Manager, will be meeting with Tewksbury Town officials to discuss an inter-municipal agreement relative to Tewksbury residents receiving water and/or sewer service from the Town of Wilmington and visa/versa. The Commission will be kept updated on the progress of the agreement.

Public Comment Period

None

Next Meeting

The next regularly scheduled meeting of the Water & Sewer Commission will be held June 18, 2017 in Room 9 at Town Hall unless otherwise posted.

There being no further business a motion to adjourn carries at 5:55 PM.

Respectfully Submitted by:

Diane Forest, Recording Secretary