

Water Commission Meeting Minutes

January 17, 2008

Durham Town Hall, 2nd Floor Conference Room

Call to Order: 7:04 pm

Present: Raymond Bahr, James McLaughlin, Patricia Crowley, Catherine DeNunzio, Laura Francis, Bill Milardo

Absent: Robert Dynia, Brad Wilkinson

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Motion to Approve Agenda by P. Crowley, 2nd by C. DeNunzio. All Ayes; Motion Carried

L. Francis temporarily left meeting at 7:07 pm; J. McLaughlin seated for L. Francis

APPROVAL OF MEETING MINUTES

Motion to Approve Meeting Minutes of November 8, 2008 by P. Crowley, 2nd by J. McLaughlin. All Ayes; Motion Carried

APPROVAL OF 2008 MEETING SCHEDULE

Motion to Approve 2008 Meeting Schedule (Meetings to be held on the 3rd Thursday of each month) by R. Bahr, 2nd by P. Crowley. All Ayes; Motion Carried

WATER PROJECT UPDATE – FINANCIAL ACCOUNTING

P. Crowley indicated that a balance of \$58,876.39 exists for the STEAP Water Grant

WATER COMPANY FINANCIALS

P. Crowley explained that a solution to a problem that exists with the automatic operation mode of the compressor at Lexington Place will cost about \$1,000. The CT Water bills dated 11/30/07 and 12/31/07 and the Middlesex Supply Co. bill dated 10/29/07 were discussed.

Motion by R. Bahr to approve payment of all amounts on CT Water invoice #3388685 except for the following extensions: \$810.00, \$288.00 and \$1173.75. 2nd by P. Crowley. All Ayes; Motion Carried

Motion by R. Bahr to approve payment of all amounts on CT Water invoice #3414986 except for the following extensions: \$180.00, \$180.00 and \$540.00. 2nd by C. DeNunzio. All Ayes; Motion Carried

Motion by R. Bahr to approve payment of Middlesex Supply Company invoice #M187105. 2nd by P. Crowley. All Ayes; Motion Carried

Discussion concerning revenues and anticipated expenditures. Need to look into electrical cost increases for operation of Lexington Place and Durham Center Water Systems. Discussed the cost of conducting the groundwater under the direct influence of surface water study required by the CT Department of Public Health. L. Francis will be requested to determine if the STEAP Grant can cover the cost of the study. CT Water advises that a \$300 (maximum) improvement to the Durham Center Pump station's auto-dialer would decrease non-routine service calls. Motion by R. Bahr to approve the purchase of the equipment to enhance the function of the auto-dialer. 2nd by C. DeNunzio. All Ayes; Motion Carried

ELECTION OF OFFICERS

Short discussion concerning member retirement and continuation of chairmanship.

L. Francis returned to the meeting at 8:12 pm and J. McLaughlin and R. Bahr left the meeting at 8:12 pm

L. Francis was given an update concerning the items discussed. L. Francis will set up a meeting regarding the provisions of the STEAP Grant. P. Crowley will meet with L. Francis regarding quicker access to financial information. The permit for abandonment of the former sources of supply to the Durham Center has been granted by the CT Department of Public Health.

The mounting costs of operating the Durham Public Water System were discussed. Also, it was suggested to research the cost of public water in other communities. B. Milardo will research the fees paid by customers of other water utilities.

MOTION TO ADJOURN AT 8:42 pm by C. DeNunzio, 2nd by B. Milardo. All Ayes; Motion Carried