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**WATER COMMISSION MEETING MINUTES**

Thursday, May 20, 2010  
Durham Town Hall, 2<sup>nd</sup> Floor, Building, Health & Zoning Office

Call to order: by Selectman Jim McLaughlin at 7:12 pm

Present: Patricia Crowley, Marilyn Keurajian and Bill Milardo, Chairman Ray Bahr (7:14 pm)

Absent: First Selectman Laura Francis, John Hogarth and Dr. Brad Wilkinson

**APPROVAL OF AGENDA**

Motion to approve the agenda with an amendment to add invoice # 4393755 to Bill Approvals by B. Milardo, 2<sup>nd</sup> by M. Keurajian. All ayes: motion carried.

**APPROVAL OF MEETING MINUTES**

Motion to approve the minutes of the meeting held on March 18, 2010 with a correction (add Ray Bahr to list of absentees) by M. Keurajian, 2<sup>nd</sup> by P. Crowley. 3 ayes, 1 abstention by J. McLaughlin: motion carried.

Chairman Ray Bahr was seated at 7:14 pm.

**WATER COMPANY FINANCIALS**

P. Crowley provided members with an update on the Water Company's financial condition.

Discussion concerning the reason for the recent late mailing of water bills was due to the installation of new software by CT Water Co.

P. Crowley will meet with Durham's Finance Director Maryjane Malavasi regarding a plan for making loan payments to the Town. A proposal will be voted on at the next commission meeting.

The Durham Water Company will see savings on its electrical costs as the Town has changed to another provider (generator).

Discussion regarding the Ackerman account final balance of greater than \$500. Rebilling to his home address occurred on March 19, 2010. Various methods to encourage payment were discussed. First Selectman L. Francis will be asked to consult a collection agency or an attorney.

Discussion regarding billing/payment for expenses incurred at the new service installation at 5 Cherry Lane. P. Crowley will determine if indeed \$100 remains outstanding.

**BILL APPROVALS**

Discussed NEWUS invoices # 4338618, # 4358914 and # 4393755 and Middlesex Supply invoice # AO22494. P. Crowley to clarify cost of SOC testing by CT Water Co. Members deferred the approval of the bills to P. Crowley.

### **OLD BUSINESS / NEW BUSINESS**

B. Milardo updated members concerning preparation of the Consumer Confidence Reports; they are 75% complete.

The Middletown Water Main Extension Feasibility Study has received an additional \$12,700 State grant. The funds will be utilized by the engineering consultant to address comments/concerns received from the CT DEP, the CT DPH and the US EPA.

Members discussed the necessary maintenance of the pumphouse and the generator shed at Lexington Place. A Motion was made to have the area cleared of brush 15 feet out from the buildings at a cost of \$200 or less by P. Crowley, 2<sup>nd</sup> by M. Keurajian. All ayes: motion carried.

Members discussed the painting of the structures and the preparation needed prior to painting. P. Crowley commented that the Lexington Place Condominium Association has obtained bids for the painting of the units and that she could request a price from the successful bidder for preparation and painting of the Water Company's structures. August appears to be the target for the start of painting of the condominiums.

The GWUDI study has progressed and results appear favorable, however the CT DPH requires a repeat sampling for MPA (microparticulate analysis) in the 3<sup>rd</sup> quarter of 2010. After the results are forwarded by the Connecticut Water Co. to the CT DPH, a final determination will be made as to whether the Durham Center's supply wells are under the influence of the Coginchaug River.

Motion to adjourn by M. Keurajian, 2<sup>nd</sup> by J. McLaughlin. All ayes.

**Meeting adjourned at 8:11 pm.**