

A meeting of the Town of Barnstable's Hyannis Water Board was held on January 12, 2010 at 3:15 PM in the Growth Management Conference Room, 367 Main Street, Hyannis, MA.

In attendance were Skip Simpson, Tom Holmes, Deb Krau and Peter Cross.

Staff present: Hans Keijser, Supervisor, Water Supply Division and Johanna F. Boucher, Purchasing Agent.

Public present: Ken Maltese and Mark Lavoie from United

A quorum being present, Chairman Krau called the meeting to order at 3:17 PM.

The Agenda was approved with the addition of Yarmouth Road proposed changes.

The Minutes of November 10, 2009 approved with changes as noted.

The Minutes of December 8, 2009 approved with one change.

The Operations Report was given by Lavoie. All system hydrants have all been inspected, data is going into the CMMS system to track maintenance. The billing process is being optimized, no problems to report, all reports have been submitted to the state on time. Collections are up as a result of the collection efforts, United is still working on accounts over \$1000, the first round was for those accounts over 120 days and \$1000. Billing is up 15% over this time last year. The Town and United may have to meet to discuss collection of old accounts and for the implementation of the new billing system in so far as future billing will be based upon the square footages of buildings. It was noted that the hospital is not listed in the listing of large commercial buildings. It may be that none of the non-profit properties are included. Krau will check with the Assessors Office to see if the measurements are available. Target early March to resolve this issue.

Paine Avenue – Lavoie said they have done everything that was requested. Leak detection showed no leaks in the main or the property's service. It is a water quality issue. For now Lavoie is recommending that the customer flush out the service line using the sillcock. Billing has been adjusted, there will be no charge until a new line is put in. The customer is happy with response. An insurance claim submitted to the town for damaged appliances. Keijser said there is a fine silt in the water when the bath tap is wide open, it could be years of accumulation in the line, which was not flushed for years.

Security Avenue – A complaint of bad water was resolved when investigation revealed the problem stemmed from a water heater that was not maintained. The customer was not satisfied that it was not a water quality issue until a demonstration proved it to her.

Keijser updated the stimulus projects, which are all on target for contract issuance.

Keijser said the Hyannis West School water festival was successful last Friday.

Krau said that all fee recommendations were accepted by the Town Manager.

Yarmouth Road Traffic Study – the options have narrowed to several alternatives. Krau explained the options. A public hearing has been held. The water wells are least impacted by the option for taking the KAM property and keeping the road to the west side. Krau asked - do we want to send a letter supporting option 1A for water quality issues? Cross says yes, water quality should be a major consideration. Simpson asked why not go with option 6B. Krau said it is closer to the airport wells. Simpson asked what is the difference to water quality – it seems to be the same. There is a case that moving traffic to the west side of the railroad tracks would have less impact. Do we write them expressing our concerns? Simpson would want an answer to his question before writing a letter. He does not want to send a message based upon a graph that may or may not be accurate. Keijser said he will attend the meeting on the 14th and will get an answer to this question and relay it to the Board. Krau asked do we want to say no to 2A and 2B? No to 2A.

Cross said that it appears 1A and 6B are more favorable to water but he needs more information to make a better determination. Based on the descriptors he would support 6B. Simpson sees 6B as more favorable than 1B.

Krau will draft a letter indicating the Board objects to options 2A or 2B, and that the Board does not understand the rating for 6B. Why is it lower than 1A.?

Krau asked the Board to quickly look at the issues and priorities for bike path in the State Fish and Wildlife area. The state is beginning to put together a management plan. This is the largest track of undeveloped land in Hyannis.

At that point a Motion was made and seconded to go into executive session to comply with the provisions of Chapter 30B.s 6(d), which prohibit the discussion of requests for proposals in public until such time as either the evaluations are completed or a proposal is accepted. The Board will not reconvene to Open Session.

VOTE: Unanimous roll call: Krau, Simpson, Holmes, and Cross.

The public meeting was closed.

Respectfully submitted,

Denise Geoffrion