

## TOWN OF RYE SEWER COMMISSION

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## SEWER COMMISSION MEETING MINUTES

Tuesday, July 21, 2020, 8:00 A.M. Rye Beach Village District Building 830 Central Road, Rye Beach, NH

**In attendance:** David Kohlhase, Chairman; Peter Kasnet, Commissioner; David Adams,

Commissioner by phone and Lee Arthur, Administrator.

### I. Call to Order

The Rye Sewer Commission Meeting was called to order at 8:10 a.m.

#### II. Roll Call

David Kohlhase, Peter Kasnet, David Adams, no one else in the room, and Lee Arthur.

#### III. Announcements

There were no announcements

## IV. O&M Report, July 21, 2020

## **Consideration of the O&M Report**

The flow summary for Church Road Station in June was 2,550,200 gallons and the rainfall amount was 3.85 inches. The pump data graphs for Church Road Pump Station, Jenness Beach Pump Station and Abenaqui Pump Station for July were reviewed.

The sewer pipe replacement at Jenness Beach Pump Station was discussed. It was determined that it should be replaced after Labor Day and confirmed with the contractor. It was noted that the backflow preventor at Jenness Beach Station failed testing and is being replaced.

Motion was made by Peter Kasnet to approve the Operations and Maintenance Report as presented. Seconded by David Kohlhase. All in favor roll call vote: David Kohlhase, yes; Peter Kasnet yes; and David Adams, yes. Motion carried.

## V. Approval of Minutes

Consideration of Previous Meeting Minutes of June 9, 2020.

The sewer commissioners reviewed the meeting minutes of June 9, 2020.

Motion was made by David Kohlhase to approve the Sewer Commission Meeting Minutes of June 9, 2020. Seconded by David Adams. All in favor roll call vote: David Kohlhase, yes; and David Adams, yes. Peter Kasnet abstained. Motion carried.

## VI. Signing of Bills and Correspondence

## a) Sewer Department Financial Reports

Included in the meeting packet were the Financial and Treasurer Reports. At the end of June, indicated 65.43% of the budget remained. However, \$51,7865.43 under prior year encumbrances was incorporated into the report. The Treasurer's Report dated July 2, 2020 had a sewer operating fund balance of \$718,286.06 and the sewer fund balance on June 30, 2020 was \$581,870.74.

#### b) Bills

The Sewer Commissioners signed bills.

c) Warrant for the Collection of Sewer Operations and Maintenance Cost Town of Rye The Warrant for the Collection of Sewer Operations and Maintenance Cost Town of Rye was included in the meeting packet and indicated that \$96,240.00 was to be collected from users.

## d) Application for Secondary Meter, 32 Cable Road

The secondary meter application for 32 Cable, installation notes and photographs were reviewed and approved. The device serial number and a photograph of the backflow preventor have been requested of the applicant for their file.

## e) Application for Secondary Meter, 2310 Ocean Boulevard

The secondary meter application for 2310 Ocean Boulevard, installation notes and photographs were reviewed and approved.

f) Correspondence from Evan Lewis, EPA, Draft NPDES Permit No. NH0100625
E-mail was received on June 23, 2020 from Evan Lewis, EPA regarding the public notice of NPDES permit number NH010062, as well as a copy of the Draft Permit, Fact Sheet and Public Notice. Lee Arthur reported that there were test method changes in the draft permit. The draft proposes only mTEC for detection of fecal coliforms instead of allowing the full list of EPA-approved methods at 40 CFR 136.3. Idexx Laboratories Inc. who conducts the testing at Hampton's Wastewater Treatment Plant has reviewed the draft permit and commented on the change to the EPA. The information was reviewed by the Sewer Commission. The Sewer Commission indicated that they support the comments submitted by IDEXX Laboratories and will notify the EPA during the comment period.

# g) Correspondence dated July 16, 2020 from Mark MacDonald, Sand Box Excavating regarding the sewer line at 146 Perkins Road.

A letter was received from Mark Macdonald of Sand Box Excavating indicating that he did not call for an inspection at 146 Perkins Road and the line has been back filled. He included progress photographs that were taken as the pipe was installed and provided additional information on the installation.

### VII. Old Business

## a) 146 Perkins Road, Map 5.2, Lot 186, Update

The Sewer Commission reviewed the information provided. It was discussed that in order to approve the connection as presented. The installer needs to submit to the Sewer Commission the sewer line as-built and show the elevations and deviations from the original plans. It was discussed that the installer needs to be notified that failure to call for an inspection again can result in an installers license being revoked or reissued. The demo permit and photographs of the capping were also reviewed.

## b) 59 West Atlantic, Map 8.4, Lot 22, Update

It was noted that the capping has been inspected, plans approved, and Sewer Permit issued. However, no other progress has taken place.

## c) 2257 Ocean Boulevard, Map 5.3, Lot 7, Update

It was noted that the capping has been inspected, plans approved, and Sewer Permit issued. The photographs of the capping were reviewed.

#### VIII. New Business

#### a) CIP

Correspondence has been received from Kate Drago indicating that the deadline for the 2021-2026 CIP is August 14, 2021. Lee Arthur explained that when working on the CIP she noticed a discrepancy with the billing from the Town of Hampton and the bond schedules provided and the matter is being investigated.

## IX. Adjournment

The next meeting of the Sewer Commission is scheduled for August 18, 2020.

Motion was made by Peter Kasnet to adjourn the Sewer Commission Meeting at 8:56 a.m. Seconded by David Adams. All in favor roll call vote: David Kohlhase, yes; Peter Kasnet, yes; and David Adams, yes. Motion carried.

<sup>\*</sup>These are draft minutes. Please refer to the minutes of the next meeting for approvals/corrections.