



TOWN OF RYE SEWER COMMISSION

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SEWER COMMISSION MEETING MINUTES

Tuesday, March 12, 2024, 8:00 a.m.

Rye Beach Village District Building

830 Central Road, Rye Beach, NH

In attendance: David Kohlase, Chairman; Susan Labrie, Commissioner; John McCune, Commissioner and Lee Arthur, Sewer Director.

I. Call to Order and Pledge of Allegiance

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

II. Announcements

There were no announcements.

III. Public Comment

There were no comments.

IV. Consideration of the O&M Report, March 12, 2024

The flow summary for Church Road Pump Station in February was 3,133,800 gallons, the flow for the same period in 2023 was 2,686,700 gallons. The rainfall for February was 3.17 inches. The irregularity in the pump runtimes at Jenness Beach was a result of the pump flapper getting stuck. The Town of Hampton is experiencing a staff shortage (pump mechanics), resulting in the use of an outside contractor until the positions can be filled. Lee Arthur is participating in EPA Climate Resilience Training for Wastewater Utilities and has completed 2 of the 6 sessions to date.

Motion was made by Susan Labrie to approve the O&M Report of March 12, 2024.

Seconded by John McCune. Motion carried.

V. Approval of Minutes

Sewer Commission Meeting Minutes of February 20, 2024

The Sewer Commissioners reviewed the meeting minutes of February 20, 2024. It was noted that the sentence under Consideration of the O& M Report, February 20, 2024 "The flow summary for Church Road Pump Station in January was 7,898,400 gallons, the flow for the same period in 2022 was 2,686,700 gallons." Should be corrected to "The flow summary for Church Road Pump Station in January was 7,898,400 gallons, the flow for the same period in 2023 was 5,193,400 gallons."

Motion was made by John McCune to approve the Sewer Commission Meeting Minutes of February 20, 2024 after correcting the sentence "The flow summary for Church Road Pump Station in January was 7,898,400 gallons, the flow for the same period in 2022 was 2,686,700 gallons." to read "The flow summary for Church Road Pump Station in January was 7,898,400 gallons, the flow for the same period in 2023 was 5,193,400 gallons."

Seconded by David Kohlase. Susan Labrie abstained. Motion carried.

VI. Signing of Bills and Correspondence

a) Sewer Department Financial Reports

At the end of February 2024, \$59,087.51 had been expended of which \$41,526.41 was encumbrances. The current year's budget was not on the report as it is not entered into the finance program until it is approved.

b) Signing of Bills

There were no bills to sign.

c) Sewer Charges and Fees Effective April 1-June 30, 2024

1. Hook-up Fee:

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| A. Front Footage Charge | \$288.04/per foot |
| B. 50 Foot front (minimum charge) | \$14,402.00 |
| 100 Foot Front | \$28,804.00 |
| 170 Foot Front (maximum charge) | \$48,966.80 |

2. O.M.R. (Operating & Maintenance) Charge
Per Cubic feet of H2O Consumption .125

Motion was made by John McCune to approve List of Sewer Charges and Fees Effective April 1-June 30, 2024. Seconded by Susan Labrie. Motion carried.

VII. Old Business

a) Other

There was no old business.

VIII. New Business

a) E-mail from Mary Beth Weathersby of 75 Perkins Road, Parcel Id 052-136 requesting an abatement.

E-mail was received from Mary Beth Weathersby requesting an abatement. It was discussed that her consumption had increased significantly due to a toilet that needed to be replaced. The plumbing bill and January 25, 2024 Aquarion Water Company Statement was provided. She had indicated that Aquarion Water Company offered a one-time abatement. It was discussed confirming the amount of water abated for and abating the customer on the same amount.

Motion was made by Susan Labrie to abate Mary Beth Weathersby of 75 Perkins Road on the same amount of water abated by Aquarion Water Company. Seconded by John McCune. Motion carried.

IX. Adjournment

The next meeting of the Sewer Commission was tentatively scheduled for April 9, 2024 at 8:00 a.m.

Motion was made by John McCune to adjourn the Sewer Commission Meeting at 8:32 a.m. Seconded by Susan Labrie. Motion carried.

These are draft minutes. Please refer to the minutes of the next meeting for approvals/corrections.