TOWN OF JAMESTOWN TOWN COUNCIL MEETING

for

TOWN, WATER AND SEWER MATTERS

Monday, August 21, 2017

A regular meeting of the Jamestown Town Council sitting as the Board of Water and Sewer Commissioners was called to order at the Jamestown Town Hall, Council Chambers, 93 Narragansett Avenue at 7:05 PM by Commission President Kristine S. Trocki.

The following members were present:

Blake A. Dickinson Mary E. Meagher Eugene B. Mihaly

Also present were:

Andrew Nota, Town Administrator
Peter D. Ruggiero, Esq., Town Solicitor
Michael Gray PE, Public Works Director
Christina D. Collins, Finance Director
Cheryl Fernstrom, Town Clerk
Denise Jennings, Water and Sewer Clerk

Absent:

Michael G. White, Vice-President

AWARDS, PRESENTATIONS AND ACKNOWLEDGMENTS

(None)

READING AND APPROVAL OF MINUTES

1) 07/17/17 (regular meeting)

Commissioner Meagher stated that she was no longer the Vice-President and that Commissioner White is currently the Vice-President.

Motion was made by Commissioner Meagher, seconded by Commissioner Dickinson to accept the 07/17/17 regular meeting minutes as amended to reflect the change in Vice-President, which had been previously misidentified. So unanimously voted.

OPEN FORUM

Commission President Trocki stated that if anyone was present for the matter pertaining to the ban on plastic bags, which is schedule for the Town Council portion of the meeting; this matter will be scheduled for a Public Hearing at a later date and is not up for discussion this evening.

1) Scheduled requests to address:

(None scheduled)

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(None)

REPORT OF TOWN OFFICIALS

1) **Pumping Report:**

The Public Works Director reported the following:

- Pumping was up for the month of July.
- JR-1 continues to be in service for the season.
- Rainfall was up slightly for the month of July.
- North Reservoir was @ 47MG, usable storage-60MG
- South Pond is @ 5.5MG, usable storage-6MG

2) Town project reports: (See attached Project Update Report dated July 2017) Distribution System-

The Public Works Director stated that the Water staff has the ability to monitor real time data and that we are trending higher pumping data than usual and that this may indicate that we have leaks in the system. The Public Works Director reported that staff is always on the lookout for leaks and has recently discovered a leak at Zeek's Creek under the bridge. The Public Works Director reported that staff would be excavating and repairing the leak this week and the Town is working with RIDOT to permanently correct the issue in the future.

Transfer Pumping/Reservoir-Dam Improvements-

The Public Works Director stated that he is monitoring the conditions at South Pond to determine if and when construction can begin at the site. He further stated that the work needs to be done during dry conditions for excavation purposes.

Following clarification of a few items, it was the consensus of the Commission to accept the report, as presented by the Public Works Director.

3) Finance Director's report: No action taken

LETTERS AND COMMUNICATIONS

(None)

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

(None)

NEW BUSINESS

(None)

TOWN BUSINESS

(None)

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ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business before the Commission, motion was made by Commissioner Dickinson, seconded by Commissioner Meagher to adjourn the Water and Sewer meeting at 7:11 PM. So unanimously voted.

Attest:

Denise Jennings

Water and Sewer Clerk

xc:

Commission Members (5)

Town Administrator

Town Solicitor

Public Works Director

Town Clerk

Project Update July 2017

WELLS JR-1, JR-3

• JR-1 has been placed into service for the season. The well pumps at a rate of 50 gallons per minute directly into the transmission main that flows to the water plant.

TREATMENT PLANT

• To provide safe drinking water to our customers, the water is disinfected with chlorine as the last step in treatment before distribution. Disinfectants can react with naturally occurring materials in the water to form byproducts that can pose health risks. The water department is responsible for monitoring water from the distribution system once every quarter for disinfection byproducts that include Total Trihalomethanes (TTHMs) and Total Haloacetic Acids (HAAs).

The Stage 2 Disinfection by-products rule requires us to collect and analyze a sample taken from the Town Hall each quarter. The second quarter testing results were 59.9 ppb for TTHMs and 32.5 ppb for HAAs. The EPA has set a maximum level of 80 ppb for TTHMs and 60 ppb for HAAs. The EPA determines maximum levels of contaminants in drinking water at which no adverse health effects are likely to occur. As the results show we are below the levels set by EPA.

TRANSFER PUMPING/RESERVOIR

 We transferred water to the North Reservoir for a couple days to determine if we can dry the area adjacent to our Dam Improvement project. There was no immediate effect on the water level in that area outside of the dike section of the dam.

Dam Improvements

We have been monitoring the conditions at the South Reservoir to determine if and when construction can begin this season. Groundwater conditions remain high throughout the area due to the weather received over the past couple months. There is a considerable amount of earth work directly adjacent to the reservoir which must be conducted in dry conditions.

DISTRIBUTION SYSTEM

South Pond @ 6 MG Usable Storage, 5.5 Million Gallons

North Pond @ 60 MG Usable Storage 47 Million Gallons

There were no leaks in the distribution system in July.

WASTEWATER TREATMENT PLANT

- The monthly average daily flow at the treatment plant for July was 0.22 million gallons per day. The peak daily flow was 0.26 million gallons. The permitted flow for the monthly average is 0.73 million gallons per day.
- There were no SSO's for the month of July.