

**TOWN OF JAMESTOWN  
TOWN COUNCIL MEETING  
for  
TOWN, WATER AND SEWER MATTERS**

Monday, January 7, 2013

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 6:30 PM by President, Kristine S. Trocki. The following members were present:

Mary E. Meagher, Vice-President  
Eugene B. Mihaly  
Thomas T. Tighe

Also present were:

Bruce R. Keiser, Town Administrator  
Peter D. Ruggiero, Esq., Town Solicitor  
Michael Gray PE, Public Works Director  
Christina D. Collins, Finance Director  
Denise Jennings, Water and Sewer Clerk

Absent:

Blake A. Dickinson, Commissioner

**AWARDS, PRESENTATIONS AND ACKNOWLEDGMENTS**

(None)

**READING AND APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

- 1) **10/15/12 minutes** (regular meeting)  
No action was taken on this matter.

**OPEN FORUM**

- 1) Scheduled requests to address:  
(None)
- 2) Non-Scheduled requests to address:  
(None)

**REPORT OF TOWN OFFICIALS**

- 1) **Pumping Report:**  
The Public Works Director reported the following:
- JR-1 well has been taken off-line for the season.
  - Transfer pumping has been suspended for the season. The Public Works Director briefly described the procedure.
  - North Reservoir is @ 42MG, usable storage-60MG.
  - South Pond is @ 7MG, usable storage-7MG

2) **Town project reports:** (See Project Update Report dated December 2012)

**Treatment Plant:**

The Public Works Director reported the following:

**Lead and copper testing-**

- The water department is responsible for testing water at twenty individual homes semi-annually for lead and copper analysis. The Public Works Director briefly described the process and noted that lead does not come out of the plant and that it is within the customers piping and fixtures.
- A corrosion control study was conducted in 2012. The Town implemented the recommendations from the study that included a change in coagulant at the treatment plant, with the goal of reducing at-the-tap lead and copper concentrations. Recent testing results have shown improvement since that change.

**Distribution System:**

The Public Works Director stated that under this portion of his report he will report on leaks in the system and current projects. The Public Works Director reported the following:

- There were no leaks in the system in December.
- In December the water department completed the water main replacement project on Green Lane from Narragansett Avenue to High Street. The water department will continue replacement from High Street to Howland Avenue during the spring of 2013. Re-paving will follow completion.

**Wastewater Treatment Plant:**

The Public Works Director reported the average daily flow at the treatment plant for December and also reported that there were no sewer sanitary overflows (SSO) for the month of December. The Public Works Director briefly described the slip lining process and stated that the Town needs to continue with this project and further stated that he would be requesting funds during the upcoming budget process.

The Public Works Director stated that he would like to give a presentation/overview of both the water and sewer treatment facilities and their systems. Council President Trocki stated that the facilities tour was helpful, although she would like an overview/presentation at a later date.

Following clarification on a few items, it was the consensus of the Commission to accept the reports as submitted by the Public Works Director. So unanimously voted.

**LETTERS AND COMMUNICATIONS**

- 1) Letter dated 11/02/12 from Thomas Bates of 13 Ocean Avenue re: relief from sewer charges on 10/12 Water and Sewer bill.

Following brief discussion regarding the history of these requests, motion was made by Commissioner Tighe, seconded by Commissioner Meagher to deny the request from Thomas Bates of 13 Ocean Avenue for relief from sewer charges on his 10/12 Water and Sewer bill. Motion so voted, 3 in favor; Commissioner Mihaly opposed.

**UNFINISHED BUSINESS**

(None)

**NEW BUSINESS**

The Finance Director stated that every few years she has the water rate study updated and stated that she would like to begin the process to update the report for the upcoming water budget process. It was the consensus of the Commission, to allow the Finance Director to proceed with this process.

**BILLS AND PAYROLL**

No action taken on this matter.

**TOWN BUSINESS**

(None)

**ADJOURNMENT**

There being no further business before the Commission, motion was made by Commissioner Tighe, seconded by Commissioner Meagher to adjourn the meeting at 6:55 PM. So unanimously voted.

Attest:

Denise Jennings  
Water and Sewer Clerk

xc: Commission Members (5)  
Town Administrator  
Town Solicitor  
Public Works Director  
Town Clerk