TOWN OF JAMESTOWN TOWN COUNCIL MEETING

for

TOWN, WATER AND SEWER MATTERS

Monday, July 20, 2009

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 6:32 PM by Commission President Julio DiGiando. The following members were present:

William Kelly Robert W. Sutton, Jr. Barbara A. Szepatowski (arrived at 6:33 PM)

Also present were:

Bruce R. Keiser, Town Administrator
Peter D. Ruggiero, Esq., Town Solicitor (arrived at 6:36 PM)
Steven J. Goslee, Public Works Director
Denise Jennings, Water and Sewer Clerk

Absent:

Michael White, Vice-President

AWARDS, PRESENTATIONS AND ACKNOWLEDGMENTS

(None)

READING AND APPROVAL OF MINUTES

1) 06/15/09 (regular meeting) Motion was made by Commissioner Kelly, seconded by Commission President DiGiando to accept the 06/15/09 (regular) meeting minutes. So unanimously voted.

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:

- o Pumping was down slightly for the month of June.
- o Rainfall was slightly over average for the month of June.
- o North Reservoir is @ capacity, usable storage-60MG
- o South Pond is @ capacity, usable storage-7MG.

2) Town project reports: (See Project Update Report dated June 2009)

3) Annual Drinking Water Quality Report for 2008

The Public Works Director reported that it is a federal requirement that we provide this report to our customers yearly and that the reports were mailed to all customers with their water and sewer bills on June 29th and June 30th. The Public Works Director further reported that there were no violations to report this year.

The Public Works Director further reported that the Town of Jamestown was named "Utility of the Year," by the New England Water Works Association and that the award will be handed out at the annual meeting in September.

The Commission asked for clarification on a few items as reported by the Public Works Director.

LETTERS AND COMMUNICATIONS

(None)

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

1) **RI Department of Health consent agreement** (cont. from 06/15/09)

The Public Works Director reported that the Solicitor has reviewed the consent agreement and has made some amendments. Commission consensus: To schedule a special Water and Sewer meeting on 08/03/09 at 6:45 PM to discuss this matter.

2) **Water Tower lease** request:

a) Cox Communications (cont. from 06/15/09)

Administrator Keiser recommended that the contract with Cox Communications be approved subject to the following:

- o That Cox Communications will pay \$2,800 per month.
- o That there will be a 3% cola increase each year.
- o That the contract will be reviewed every 5 years.

The Administrator stated that it would be the same terms as the application of Metro PCS and Cox Communications will also have to obtain approval from the Zoning Board.

Margaret, Cox Communications representative stated that she did not think that Cox would agree to a review at 5 year intervals and that she would have to discuss this matter further with her company. Administrator Keiser suggested that language be added to have a minimum and maximum range for decrease or increase in monthly rate. Following clarification of a few items, motion was made by Commissioner Kelly, seconded by Commissioner Szepatowski to authorize Cox Communications to proceed with Town permitting procedures and to ask the Administrator to meet with Cox Communications to work out an agreement and to continue this matter to the special Water and Sewer meeting on 08/03/09. So unanimously voted.

NEW BUSINESS

(None)

BILLS AND PAYROLL

Motion was made by Commissioner Kelly, seconded by Commissioner Szepatowski to approve the Water and Sewer Division Bills and Payroll. So unanimously voted.

TOWN BUSINESS

(None)

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business before the Commission, motion was made by Commissioner Szepatowski, seconded by Commissioner Sutton to adjourn the meeting at 6:59 PM. So unanimously voted.

Attest:

Denise Jennings Water and Sewer Clerk

xc: Commission Members (5)

Town Administrator

Town Solicitor

Public Works Director

Town Clerk