

**TOWN OF JAMESTOWN
BOARD OF
WATER AND SEWER COMMISSIONERS**

Monday, October 16, 2000

A regular meeting of the Jamestown Town Council sitting as the Board of Water and Sewer Commissioners was called to order at the Jamestown Philomenian Library, 26 North Road at 7:01 PM by Commission President David J. Long. The following members were present:

Kenneth G. Littman, Commission Vice-President
Craig A. Amerigian
Bruce McIntyre
David Swain

Also present were:

Maryanne Crawford, CPA, Town Administrator
Denise Jennings, Assistant Finance Director/Water and Sewer Clerk
Steven Goslee, Public Works Director

Absent:

James Murphy, Esq., Town Solicitor

READING AND APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Motion by Commission President Long, seconded by Commissioner McIntyre to accept the minutes of 09/18/00. So unanimously voted

REPORT OF TOWN OFFICIALS

1) Pumping Report:

Mr. Goslee reported that pumping was slightly up compared to last year and that all permits were in place for the drilling of the desalinization wells. Commissioner Amerigian: The agenda states that this a draft of the Safe Yield Study. This is the final report. Mr. Goslee: Correct. Commissioner Amerigian: Should we meet with the Water Study Committee to discuss the Safe Yield Study? Ms. Crawford: A joint meeting of the Board of Water and Sewer Commissioners and the Water Study Committee will be set up for 11/20/00. Commissioner Amerigian: Any reason why consumption is up? Mr. Goslee: We had thought that there was a leak, but pumping vs. billing was pretty much the same. Commission President Long: Can we meet with the Water Study sooner to discuss the Safe Yield Study? Ms. Crawford: Mr. Yannoni from Fay, Spofford and Thorndike will not be available until 11/20/00. Motion by Commission President Long, seconded by Commissioner Amerigian to schedule a joint meeting with the Water Study Committee and Mr. Yannoni from Fay, Spofford and Thorndike on 11/20/00. So unanimously voted.

LETTERS AND COMMUNICATIONS

none

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

1) Rehabilitation of the sewer plant re: press release:
Following discussion regarding the wording of the press release, motion by Commission President Long, seconded by Commissioner Amerigian to advertise in block advertisement format the following wording:

Attention All Jamestown Voters
SEWER TREATMENT PLANT BOND ISSUE
November 7, 2000 General Election

- The estimated life of a sewer treatment plant is approximately twenty to twenty-five years. The Town treatment plant is almost twenty-two years old.
- Repayment of the bond issues will be made only by the users of the sewer system.
- Ninety percent of the re-payment of the bond will be based upon consumption. Low consumption users will see a minimum increase in their sewer bills.
- The Town Council unanimously approved this bond issue at its July 24, 2000, meeting. We need a modern plant that will serve the town while providing for a clean Bay for another two plus decades.

The Town Council of Jamestown encourages
you to please approve this \$5,500,000 sewer bond issue.

Motion so unanimously voted.

Commission President Long stated that letters from Commissioners would also go in the Jamestown Press.

2) Final draft of the Safe Yield Study:
Previously discussed.

3) Update on check-signing event re: reimbursement in the amount of \$26,906.54 from the RI Public Drinking Water Protection Program-Phase II:
Ms. Crawford reported that the event was tentatively set for Tuesday, 10/24/00.

4) Report submitted by Victor Richardson re: reservoir storage:
Following brief discussion, motion by Commission President Long, seconded by Commissioner Littman to accept the document submitted by Victor Richardson. So unanimously voted.

NEW BUSINESS

1) Application of Jamestown, LLC, dba McQuade's Supermarket (Plat 9, Lot 105;5 Clarke St-Market) for change and expansion of use:

Michael McQuade gave a short presentation regarding the current renovations and stated that a separate sewer hook up was required according to state regulations. Mr Goslee: This request is not an issue, one hook up is required for sanitary purposes and one is required for cleaning purposes. Commissioner Swain: How much does the well produce? Mr. McQuade stated that he did not know. Ms. Crawford: They consume 400,000 gallons per a year from the well and they consume 300,000 gallons per a year from the municipal system for the laundry. Motion by Commissioner Swain, seconded by Commissioner Littman to approve the application of Jamestown, LLC, dba McQuade's Supermarket (Plat 9, Lot 105;5 Clarke St-Market) for change and expansion of use. So unanimously voted.

Commission consensus: No fee required for change/expansion of use applications.

BILLS AND PAYROLL

Motion by Commission President Long, seconded by Commissioner Amerigian to approve bills and payroll. So unanimously voted.

TOWN BUSINESS

Ms. Crawford reported that Glenn Hunter, Superintendent of the Wastewater Treatment Facility resigned and that Douglas Ouellette has been promoted to fill that position. She further reported that the Town is following union procedure to fill the vacancy created by this promotion.

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business before the Commission, motion by Commission President Long, seconded by Commissioner Amerigian to adjourn the meeting at 7:30 PM. So unanimously voted.

Attest:

Denise Jennings
Assistant Finance Director/Water and Sewer Clerk

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