

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

Monday, May 6, 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 5:47 PM by Vice-President, Mary E. Meagher. The following members were present:

President, Kristine S. Trocki, President arrived at 5:50 PM
Blake A. Dickinson
Eugene B. Mihaly
Thomas T. Tighe

Also present were:

Bruce R. Keiser, Town Administrator arrived at 5:51 PM
Peter D. Ruggiero, Esq., Town Solicitor
Michael Gray PE, Public Works Director
Christina D. Collins, Finance Director
Denise Jennings, Water and Sewer Clerk

AWARDS, PRESENTATIONS AND ACKNOWLEDGMENTS

- 1) Award to Jamestown Wastewater Treatment Facility
 - a) **Most Efficient Small Secondary Treatment Plant Award** for performance in 2012

Motion was made by Commissioner Tighe, seconded by Commissioner Meagher to send a letter to congratulate the Wastewater Treatment Facility Superintendent, Doug Ouellette and his staff for a job well done. So unanimously voted.

READING AND APPROVAL OF MINUTES

- 1) **04/01/13 minutes** (regular meeting)

Motion was made by Commissioner Mihaly, seconded by Commissioner Meagher to accept the 04/01/13 (regular) meeting minutes. Motion so voted; 4 in favor, Commissioner Tighe abstained. Commissioner Tighe was absent at said meeting.

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 JR-1 well will be turned on this week due to the dry conditions and lack of rain.

- The Water Department is rebuilding the transfer pump float and completing maintenance of the pumping system. We will be transferring water to North Pond now that the water level has stopped flowing over the spillway.
- Rainfall is down.
- North Reservoir is @ 60MG, usable storage-60MG.
- South Pond is @ 7MG, usable storage-7MG

2) **Town project reports:** (See Project Update Report dated April 2013)

Distribution System:

The Public Works Director reported the following:

- Inspection and cleaning of both towers is tentatively scheduled for the week of May 20th.
- Automatic outside water restrictions will begin on June 1st.

Following clarification on a few items, Motion was made by Commissioner Meagher, seconded by Commissioner Dickinson to accept the reports as submitted by the Public Works Director. So unanimously voted.

Water Rate Study:

The Finance Director stated that she is working with the company who updates the Water Rate Study and hopes to bring the update report before the Commission in July.

LETTERS AND COMMUNICATIONS

1) Memorandum from the Jamestown Tree Preservation and Protection Committee to the Public Works Director re: **removal of pine trees at North Reservoir**

The Public Works Director stated that if there is a Nor'easter type storm it may take down some of the large pine trees on the western side of the north Reservoir; wires will come down and this will impact residents at the north end of the island. The Public Works Director further stated that the Town should consider the recommendations from the Jamestown Tree Preservation and Protection Committee prior to the hurricane season. Brief discussion followed. Commissioner Meagher stated that if the preservation committee is recommending that the trees come down, then the Commission should take this into consideration. It was the consensus of the Commission, to continue this discussion at the next regular meeting of the Commission.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

(None)

NEW BUSINESS

(None)

TOWN BUSINESS

(None)

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business before the Commission, motion was made by Commissioner Meagher, seconded by Commissioner Mihaly to adjourn the meeting at 6:00 PM. So unanimously voted.

Attest:

Denise Jennings
Water and Sewer Clerk

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