



Town of Provincetown
Meeting of the
WATER & SEWER BOARD
Thursday December 12, 2019
Veterans Memorial Community Center
Room 75
2 Mayflower Street, Provincetown, MA

Members present: Jonathan Sinaiko, Bob O'Malley, Gary Palmer, Peter Graham, Steven Baker (arrived late)

Meeting began at 2:00pm

Statements from the Public: None

Statements from the Board: None

Staff Updates: Only Update is that Rich Waldo is home sick and Cody Salisbury is dealing with a burst pipe on Miller Hill Rd.

Approval of minutes from previous meeting of 10/31/19, as written.

Motion to approve by Peter Graham, seconded by Jonathan Sinaiko, approved 4-0-0

Water Abatements: 28 Winslow St had an underground leak that was not discovered until it bubbled to the surface, if abated the amount would be \$22,778.75

Motion to approve abatement by Peter Graham, seconded by Jonathan Sinaiko, approved 4-0-0

632 Commercial St was also an underground leak that was repaired as soon as it was discovered. If abated the amount would be \$6,839.09

Motion to approve by Peter Graham, seconded by Jonathan Sinaiko, approved 4-0-0.

4 Conwell St was another underground leak; they have had the line repaired and are in the process of having a new water line installed. If abated the amount would be \$4,015.18

Motion to approve abatement by Peter Graham, seconded by Jonathan Sinaiko, approved 5-0-0.

535 Commercial St. was another underground leak that was repaired upon discovery. If abated the amount would be \$629.75.

Motion to approve by Peter Graham, seconded by Bob O'Malley, approved 5-0-0

156 Bradford St did have an underground leak that was repaired and the water line was actually replaced. They did have a previous leak that they were granted an abatement for so, in accordance with the rules and regulations they do not qualify for an abatement.

Motion to deny abatement by Peter Graham, seconded by Jonathan Sinaiko, approved 5-0-0

Three Kendall lane also had an underground leak that was repaired in November, 2019. Klaus Betten spoke about his version of the events leading to the leak and answered any questions asked by the board. If abated the amount would be \$144.82. Jonathan Sinaiko stated he would like to amend Klaus's abatement amount and abate the amount of the average bill and forgo the 500% rule, which was discussed and voted on by the Board.

Motion to approve the revised abatement amount of \$395.53 by Bob O'Malley, Seconded by Jonathan Sinaiko, approved 5-0-0

333R Commercial #9 was a clerical error and the usage at the change out should be about 9000 Gallons of usage. The revised bill amount should be \$4.11 for water usage.

Motion to approve by Jonathan Sinaiko, seconded by Steven Baker, approved 5-0-0

4 Harbor Hill Rd #25 should have a usage amount of only 3000 gallons, the meter was changed in the field and the office was not notified. \$682.44 should be abated from bill

Motion to approve by Jonathan Sinaiko, seconded by Gary Palmer, approved 5-0-0

Bill adjustments; These were completed by the treasurer on some bills that were produced incorrectly.

Motion to approve adjustments by Jonathan Sinaiko, seconded by Peter Graham, approved 5-0-0

Sewer Abatements: 632 Commercial St underground leak did not enter the sewer system.

Motion to abate by Jonathan Sinaiko, seconded by Steven Baker, approved 3-0-0.

55 Capt. Bertie's Way was hooked up to the sewer on 10-3-19 and should not have been charged for sewer on this billing.

Motion to approve by Jonathan Sinaiko, seconded by Steven Baker, approved 3-0-0

535 Commercial St also ran into the ground, not into the sewer.

Motion to approve by Jonathan Sinaiko, seconded by Bob O'Malley, approved 3-0-0

10 Bradford St; Sewer should have been pro-rated and an abatement in the amount of \$81.89 issued due to the fact that the sewer wasn't installed until 6-14-19.

Motion to approve by Jonathan Sinaiko, seconded by Bob O'Malley, approved 3-0-0

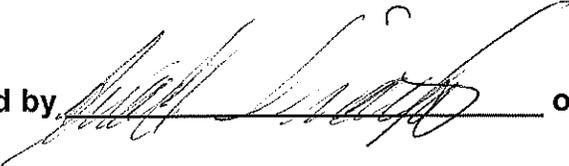
333 R Commercial St was a clerical error from the meter change out and an abatement amount of \$618.24 should be issued.

Motion to approve by Jonathan Sinaiko, seconded by Steven Baker, approved 3-0-0

Steven Baker said Goodbye to the other members and we thanked him for his time on this board. He also introduced us to his new colleague who is considering joining the board.

Meeting adjourned at 2:35pm.

Respectfully submitted by: Jane Petterson

Approved by  on 2/13, 2019