



# Town of Provincetown

## Meeting of the WATER & SEWER BOARD

Wednesday, February 23, 2011

Room 6, Grace Gouveia Building, 26 Alden Street St., Provincetown

**Water & Sewer Board Members Present:** Jonathan Sinaiko (chair), Mark Collins, Kathleen Meads, Sacha Richter and Moe Van Dereck. Mark Collins joined the meeting at 3:05.

**Other attendees:** DPW Staff David Guertin, Carl Hillstrom, Sherry Prada, Anna Michaud; Health Agent Jane Evans; members of the public

### Call to Order

Mr. Sinaiko called the meeting to order at 3:00 p.m.

### 68 Shank Painter Road – Provincetown Laundromat

Ms Evans requested an extension of the show cause hearing to March 24, 2011 at 3:00 pm due to Mr. Silva's post-surgery convalescence.

Mr. Sinaiko moved, seconded by Mr. Richter, to accept the Health Agent's recommendation. The motion carried by a vote of 4-0.

Mr. Sinaiko moved, seconded by Mr. Van Dereck, to instruct staff to start preparatory work on a Laundromat RFP since the non-compete 5 year clause expires April 2011, the RFP to include any new conditions. The motion carried by a vote of 5-0.

### Flow Revisions

Ms Evans advised that the flow revision request for 128 Commercial St would not be heard until the next Water & Sewer Board meeting.

Ms Prada presented the following flow revision:

Map & Parcel	Address	Orig. Flow	Rev. Flow	Net Chg	Orig. Betterment	Rev. Betterment	Net Betterment.	Reason Change
12-2-024-2-00H	359 Commercial St.	3500	3348	-152	\$117,880.00	\$112,760.64	(\$5,119.38)	Change use of prop.

Mr. Sinaiko moved, seconded by Mr. Van Dereck, to grant the flow revision for 39 Franklin St. The motion carried by a vote of 5-0.

### Water Exemptions

Pursuant to the elderly low-income water exemption adopted by the Board on March 12, 2009, Ms Michaud presented the following ratepayers who meet the qualifications of the Clause 41C tax exemption as administered by the Board of Assessors:

Acct #	Property Address	Applicant	Amt Exempted
9986	22 Kimberly Ln	Sue Ogden	\$58.80
2517	56A Franklin St	Frank E Larson	\$100.50

Ms Meads moved, seconded by Mr. Sinaiko, to grant the exemptions. The motion carried by a vote of 4-0.

## Abatements

Ms. Michaud presented the following abatement applications:

	Property Address	Applicant	Usage	Bill Amount	Staff Recommendation
0007201	57 Pleasant St	Suzi Fults			Abate \$25. Adjust for estimated 5,000 GA used by 57A before separation of services.
0003806	9B Carnes Lane	Donna Joseph	138,000	\$ 1,590.50	Abate \$365.50. Underground leak. Repaired. 500% rule.
0000661	8 Hensche Lane	Charlene White	76,000	\$ 694.50	Abate \$514.50. Defective meter. Charge for average use over past 3 peak periods.
0000228	12 Winston Ave	Michael Powell	125,000	\$ 1,455.10	Abate \$1003.33. Non-fixture leak. Repaired. 500% rule.
9003006	617 Shore Rd	Dorothy Nearen	13,000	\$ 65.00	Abate \$65.00. Non-fixture leak. Repaired. 500% rule.
0000448	303B Bradford St	Denise Nover	48,000	\$ 431.10	Deny. Field staff checked for leaks 3 times and found no leaks. Plumber checked and found no leaks. Bench test showed no problem with meter.

Mr. Van Dereck moved, seconded by Mr. Sinaiko, to accept the staff recommendations. The motion carried by a vote of 5-0.

Acct#	Property Address	Applicant	Staff Recommendation
0001412	386 Rte 6	Miriam Collinson	Abate \$640.00. Charged for 270,000 GA. Actual usage 230,000. Data entry error at change-out.

Ms Meads recused herself. Mr. Sinaiko moved, seconded by Mr. Van Dereck, to accept the staff recommendation. The motion carried by a vote of 4-0.

## Updates

- Mr. Guertin reported that the revised first notice, as modified by the Water & Sewer Bd on February 2, 1011, for non-compliance was unanimously supported by the Board of Selectmen, and is currently being used.
- Mr. Guertin provided a review of the report issued to the Board of Selectmen on 2/14/11 pertaining to the complications of "sewering Beach Point" which includes the limits of the town's special legislation for wastewater outside our jurisdiction.

## Other Business

- Representatives for Mr. Bill Bonn, owner of property at 333R Commercial St, requested a reversal of Water Superintendent Hillstrom's requirement that separate services for all units be installed outside the building. Ms Meads moved, seconded by Mr. Sinaiko, that Mr. Bonn provide Mr. Hillstrom with a set of plans for review, and if Mr. Hillstrom's requirements stay the same, the matter can be brought back for the Board's consideration. The motion carried by a vote of 5-0.
- Mr. Sinaiko recognized Mr. Worthington from Truro. Mr. Worthington spoke to the Board and advised them that on February 22, 2011 the Truro Board of Selectmen appointed him, Kevin Kuechler, and Shannon Corea to represent Truro on the Water & Sewer Board in the near future.
- Mr. Van Dereck requested that a discussion of wastewater high water alarms be placed on the agenda for the next Water & Sewer Board meeting on March 24, 2011.

## Adjournment

There being no further business, Mr. Sinaiko moved, seconded by Mr. Van Dereck, to adjourn the meeting. The vote carried by a vote of 5-0 and the meeting was adjourned at 4:30 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Sacha Richter, Clerk