



Town of Provincetown

Meeting of the

WATER & SEWER BOARD

Thursday, May 5, 2016

Veterans Memorial Community Center, Multi-Purpose Room
2 Mayflower Street, Provincetown, MA

Board Members Present: Moe Van Dereck, acting as chair, Kathleen Meads, Mark Collins, Jean Horner, Gary Palmer and Zoe Babe

Board Members Absent: Kevin Kuechler, Bill Worthington

Other attendees: Rich Waldo, DPW Director; Cody Salisbury, Water Superintendent; Staff: Anna Michaud and Jane Petterson; members of the public

Recorder: Anna Michaud

Call to Order: Mr. Van Dereck, acting as chair, called the meeting to order at 2:30 p.m.

Agenda Item 1 – Commitment of Spring Water & Sewer bills. [Board as it applies to subject matter]

Discussion:

Each commitment was considered separately.

Motion: To accept staff recommendation to commit Spring 2016 Water bills.

Motion: Gary Palmer Seconded: Moe Van Dereck Vote: 6 – 0 - 0

Motion: To accept staff recommendation to commit Spring 2016 Miscellaneous Water bills.

Motion: Gary Palmer Seconded: Kathleen Meads Vote: 6 – 0 - 0

Motion: To accept staff recommendation to commit Spring 2016 Sewer bills.

Motion: Kathleen Meads Seconded: Mark Collins Vote: 5 – 0 - 1

Motion: To accept staff recommendation to commit Spring 2016 Miscellaneous Sewer bills.

Motion: Kathleen Meads Seconded: Moe Van Dereck Vote: 5 – 0 - 1

The Board agreed to postpone **Agenda Items 2 and 3** until 41C and 41A participants are designated by the Assessor's office.

Agenda Item 4 – Truro application for water service – 706 Shore Rd [Full Board]

Discussion:

Mr. Salisbury explained that this application is being made for the White Sands Motel in Truro owned by Marie Kuliopolis. Although Truro has approved a connection, the applicant has not presented an engineering plan to Provincetown to date. Mr. Salisbury can make no recommendation until he reviews it. Ms. Kuliopolis said that she wanted to open by Memorial Day and this would not be possible if approval is delayed. Mr. Salisbury stated again that he cannot make a recommendation at this time. Ms. Meads recommended a requirement for a second sign-off from the Truro Building Department on any new/updated/revised plan for this property.

Motion: To continue until a plan is received that is approved by both the Truro Building Department and Provincetown Water Superintendent.

Motion: Gary Palmer Seconded: Kathleen Meads Vote: 6 – 0 - 0

Agenda Item 5 – Statements from the Board

Discussion:

There were no statements made.

Agenda Item 6 – Unanticipated Business that May Legally Come before the Board Requiring Immediate Action [Board as it applies to Subject Matter]

No other business was raised.

Agenda Item 7 – Staff Administrative Updates from Water Superintendent and DPW Director

Discussion:

Ms. Michaud reminded the Board that some members have not yet completed the online mandatory ethics test. She will send the link to WSB members.

Ms. Michaud said that occasionally, when attendance is full, a Provincetown Board member will need to step into an alternate status. Ms. Babe offered to be the alternate when that is necessary.

Mr. Salisbury stated that he had hired Echologic to determine the condition of the water main in the Phase 3 repaving project area. He estimated that approximately 1500 feet should be replaced. Mr. Waldo added that the pipe was installed in 1967. The usual life span is 60-80 years, but with major phase 3 work planned it makes sense to do the replacement now.

Ms. Meads asked if there were any red dot delays in the affected area. Rich said that there were 4 to 6. He is reviewing as part of the planning process. Ms. Meads suggested that wording be added to the application that if a stub is put in now and sewer gallons are available later, the homeowner must connect. Mr. Waldo agreed.

Mr. Salisbury said the department is participating in a pilot program for leak detection. Loggers have been installed for ¼ mile on Commercial Street which will screen out electrical noise. The area looks tight so far. Ms. Horner asked about the status of leaks in general. Mr. Salisbury replied that there was a callout to Truro the previous week for a leak losing 50 gallons per minute.

Mr. Waldo reported that engineers are researching the viability of expansion of waste water service. There are several options with various financial considerations. Mr. Waldo hopes to present the findings at a joint meeting at a later time. Ms. Meads wants to hear from the engineers before the joint meeting is held that Provincetown users will be accommodated before any additional expansion is made. Ms. Horner further noted that EDP can approve gallon allocation without going to a Water & Sewer Board meeting.

Mr. Palmer left the meeting at 3:30 PM.

Agenda Item 8 – Request for Waiver of Sewer Regulations, Section 7, Part C, - Grease Trap [Provincetown Board]

Discussion:

Mr. Waldo presented the following waiver requests:

**199 Commercial St
70 Shank Painter Rd
100 Shank Painter Rd**

Motion: To approve the waivers consistent with existing regulations.

Motion: Kathleen Meads

Seconded: Mark Collins

Vote: 5 – 0 - 0

Agenda Item 9 – Request for Variance to Sewer Regulations, Section 7, Part C, - Electronic Monitoring of grease trap. [Provincetown Board]

Discussion:

Mr. Waldo presented the following variance requests:

**150 Bradford St
179 Commercial St**

Motion: *To approve the variances consistent with existing regulations.*

Motion: Kathleen Meads

Seconded: Mark Collins

Vote: 5 – 0 - 0

Agenda Item 10 – Sewer Flow Revisions [Provincetown Board]

Discussion:

Ms. Petterson presented the following flow revisions:

Map & Parcel	Address	Orig. Flow	Rev. Flow	Net Chg
12-2-027-001	374 Comm'l St	110	43	-67
12-2-027-002	374 Comm'l St	110	70	-40
12-2-044	394 Comm'l St	558	669	111
11-3-019-A	9 Ryder St Ext	1760	2822	1062
12-2-042	384 Comm'l St	1561	902	-659
12-2-043	386 Comm'l St	6835	6849	14
12-1-134	141 Bradford St	164	451	287
07-4-008	80 Bradford St	2420	1980	-440
07-4-009	82 Bradford St	2675	2565	-110

Mr. Waldo explained that this was a correction for 9 Ryder St Ext. Fisherman's Wharf will see a significant increase in usage. The Health Agent visited the site, where there will be slips, offices, moorings at the back building. Prior allocation had only included the existing restaurant.

Motion: *To approve the flow revisions as presented by staff.*

Motion: Moe van Dereck

Seconded: Zoe Babe

Vote: 4 – 0 - 0

Adjournment:

Mr. Van Dereck adjourned the meeting at 3:45 pm.