

Town of Provincetown

Meeting of the WATER & SEWER BOARD

Thursday, October 16, 2008
Grace Gouveia Building, 26 Alden Street, Provincetown

Members present: Jonathan Sinaiko (chair), Sacha Richter, Moe Van Dereck

Members absent: Kathleen Meads (excused)

Other attendees: DPW Staff David Guertin, Dana Faris, and Anna Michaud; Fred Sateriale, Jr.; members of the press.

Call to Order

Mr. Sinaiko called the meeting to order at 3:10 p.m.

Public Hearing to Set Sewer User Rate

Mr. Sinaiko read the notice of the public hearing and, after noting that no letters had been received either for or against the proposed rate change, opened the hearing to the public. There were no speakers either for or against the proposed rate change. Mr. Sinaiko then moved that the Water & Sewer Board change the sewer user rate, effective November 16, 2008, from .0185/gallon to .01385/gallon. Mr. Richter seconded the motion, which carried by a vote of 3-0.

Application for New Water Service

Ms. Michaud presented an application for new water service at 660 Shore Road, North Truro. Because the approvals of the Truro Boards of Health and Selectmen were all in order, Mr. Sinaiko moved, seconded by Mr. Van Dereck, to approve the application. The motion carried by a vote of 3-0.

Acceptance of Water Line Easement

Mr. Faris presented an easement given by Joan Drysdale, the former owner of 35 Court St., for a water line serving the property at 35A Court St, which property is owned by the Provincetown Housing Authority. The easement itself was authorized by Article 67 of the April 5, 1999 Annual Town Meeting but was never recorded. Mr. Sinaiko moved, seconded by Mr. Richter, to accept the easement. The motion carried by a vote of 3-0.

Abatements

Ms. Michaud presented the following application for abatement:

Acct#	Property Address	Applicant	Usage	Bill Amount	Staff Recommendation
6616	72B Commercial St.	John Croucher	45,000	\$210.00 - water \$832.50 - sewer	Meter head failed. Recommend abatement to average usage for three prior years: \$60 for water and \$314.50 for sewer.

Mr. Sinaiko moved, seconded by Mr. Richter, to accept the staff recommendation. The motion carried by a vote of 3-0.

Approval of Minutes

Mr. Sinaiko moved, seconded by Mr. Richter, to approve as printed the minutes of the meeting of September 24, 2008. The motion carried by a vote of 3-0.

Other Business

Mr. Guertin briefly updated the Board with respect to the ongoing study regarding expansion and optimization of the sewer system.

Adjournment

There being no further business, Mr. Sinaiko moved, seconded by Mr. Richter, to adjourn the meeting. The vote carried by a vote of 3-0, and the meeting was adjourned at 3:20 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Sacha Richter, Clerk