



TOWN OF HALIFAX, MASSACHUSETTS BOARD OF WATER COMMISSIONERS

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MEETING MINUTES August 10, 2021

5:00 p.m. Donald Bosworth made a motion to open the meeting.
Seconded by Daniel Bosworth

Motion Passes

Present: Richard Clark, Chairman
Daniel O. Bosworth, Jr., Clerk
Donald Bosworth
Bill Lindsay, Superintendent
Kathleen O'Neil, Administrative Assistant

Meeting Minutes

Donald Bosworth made a motion to approve the meeting minutes from June 9, 2021, as written. Second by Daniel Bosworth.

Motion Passes

Discussion – Sprint/T-Mobile Site Modification Request

Terrasearch submitted a site modification plan to switch out the existing Sprint/T-Mobile equipment on the water tank for up-to-date equipment. Dick said that he would like to have Tata & Howard review the request before the Commission gives their approval.

Donald Bosworth made a motion to approve the modification request pending any changes and approval from Tata & Howard. Second by Daniel Bosworth.

Motion Passes

Pilot Study

Bill Lindsay told the Commission that the pilot study is now complete. The report will be submitted to the town and the state soon then we can proceed with the upgrades. Bill said the company doing the study had an impressive set up and got the sense that any issues we are having can be easily fixed. They recommended not backwashing so often as they believe that is why the chlorine levels are so high in the lagoons.

Upcoming Meeting

There had been discussion about hosting a “meet the new superintendent” night but Kathy O'Neil said that this may no longer be necessary. There have been no discolored water calls (except for 368 South Street) since the Commission met with the Board of Selectmen regarding dirty water complaints. The new Superintendent has been in touch with the residents who requested the meeting with the Selectmen, and both seem satisfied that progress is being made. On that note, Bill mentioned that an agitator has been ordered and will be installed when the tank is cleaned in the upcoming months.

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Discussion – Copper Requirements

Bill proposed that the water regulations are changed so that copper is no longer required. He feels plastic is easier to work with. Kathy O'Neil stated that any change to the bylaws and/or regulations will require a public hearing and legal notice to the town. The Commissioners agreed that the quality of pipe is much better now than when this regulation was created. They each took a copy of the regulations home to review.

Union Negotiations

The Commission discussed proposed changes made by the Selectmen to take away overtime pay if an employee used sick time during that pay week. The Commission expressed their concern with this change and feel it's a very bad idea.

Adjournment

5:45 p.m. Donald Bosworth made a motion to adjourn.
Seconded by Daniel Bosworth

Motion Passes

Approved,

