

Sewer Commission Meeting March 9th, 2018

Attendance:

Alexander Meisner- Commissioner/Secretary
Thomas Walker- Commissioner
Dan Gray- Sewer Commissioner

Meeting Start: 9:01 pm

Discussion

- Citizen concern- Laura DiBari 168 Main St. Northfield Ma.
 - Would like to know how the sewer rate and billing process works and how it is calculated based on the water usage.
 - Commissioners collectively begin discussing the rate on the sewer.
 - DiBari would like to see a consistent billing rate in the town. Her concern is over the randomness and fluctuation in when she gets billed.
 - DiBari wants to know (1) what number we use for sewer rate and water rate... she would also like to know the water usage number we take to calculate the sewer bill. (2) She is also asking for some kind of consistency in the billing.
 - As commissioners we will try to address the concerns DiBari has presented us with.
- DiBari exits at **9:23 am.**
- Tim- Little comes to interview for the table at **9:23 am.**
- Tim Little exits the interview at **10:29 am.**
- Commissioner Meisner discusses payroll prorating for Everett Wickline **10:30 am**
- **10:35 am-** Gray makes a motion to accept Meisner's proposal to pay Wickline the rate of which the former full time operator was receiving. When a new full time operator is hired, it will be lowered back to his original part time rate... Passes unanimously at **10:36 am.**
- **10:40 am-** Commissioners discuss organizational practice for us to run more efficiently.
 - Mail, communication, bill signing...
 - Meisner agrees to pick up the mail for the wastewater treatment plant.

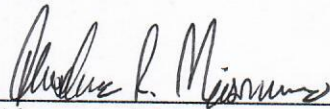
- Commissioners discuss in moving forward in the hiring process for Tim Little.

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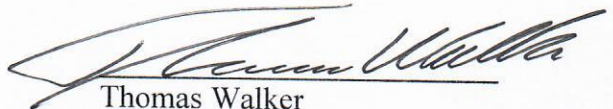
- We will be waiting one more week to see if any more applicants come to apply for the position.

Commissioner Meisner makes a motion to end meeting- passed unanimously.

**Meeting End: 11:05 pm
March 9th, 2018**



Alexander Meisner
Sewer Commissioner



Thomas Walker
Sewer Commissioner

Sewer Commission Meeting April 12th, 2018

Attendance:

Alexander Meisner- Commissioner/Secretary
Thomas Walker- Commissioner
Dan Gray- Commissioner

Meeting Start: 4:24 pm

Discussion

4:26 pm- Commissioners discuss overtime usage for the wastewater treatment plant employees

4:30 pm- Discussion of sewer policy in regards to the job description. Further discussion of the above subject as well

4:38 pm- Sewer contact information exchange. Group message board set up for the commissioner's iPhones.

4:45 pm- Discussion of the hours Mr. Little will be working.

- Motion made by commissioner Meisner to make Tim Little's time 7-3 pm
- Motioned Seconded by Walker
- Gray and Meisner in favor
- Passes 2-1

4:55 pm- Meisner starts a discussion based on a misunderstanding and misinterpretation of words regarding Everett Wickline's retro pay start date.

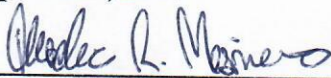
- Meisner makes a motion to have Wickline receive retro pay starting from February 2nd, 2017 until Wickline's prorated pay start date
- All in favor and passes unanimously.

5:00 pm- Walker agrees to sign the plant worker time sheets

Commissioner Meisner makes a motion to end meeting... passed unanimously

Meeting End: 5:03 pm

April 12th, 2018



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Sewer Commissioner



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planning grant. Sue thinks the planning grant might work for us. Must use bidding process. Would have to have a conservation restriction in advance. MHC suggested cemeteries need a landscape architect. \$5,000-\$30,000 planning grants; \$7,500-\$10,000 for actual restoration work. 50% match. Due March 23. Can we do this this year? Next year? How much? The one estimate we have is \$1,500 to make a master plan about how to proceed. Discussion of costs and needed work and matching funds. Need Friends of Northfield Old Cemeteries revived to get money and get Kai out there doing the \$1,500 inventory this spring. \$300 our account; \$1,172 in FONOC account; we have \$500 in our yearly budget. Sue will contact the Secretary of State to get FONOC back on track.

- MOU: Carol talked with Willy who supports the wording of the MOU and our plan of action. He strongly states, since there's nothing in it that's legal, it doesn't need to go to Town Council. He will let us know well in advance when he presents it at the Select Board meeting.

Citizen Input

- Native American Day petition presented by Cate Woolner. She asks would Joe be first signer and proponent; Joe agrees. She also asks if NHC would officially endorse it. Discussion: good opportunity to talk about Northfield's Native History. NHC can support it with programming. Would Cate modify the language to "encourage the development of historic programs" more teaching than political. Suggestions to Cate: to check it over with Willy for wording; also add the intent of the article, for the purpose of. Intent can be "to facilitate a revisiting of the conversations of the history." Motion: Carol: Endorse the article and suggest the changes. Joe: Second Discussion: none Passes unanimously

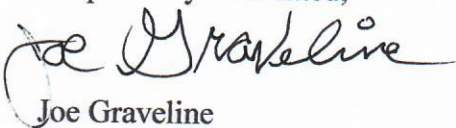
Unforeseen items and announcements:

- 24 Main St. has different set of criteria that will trigger what the church can/can't do.

Next Meeting February 12, 2018 at 4:00 p.m. in Northfield Town Hall.

Adjournment: Motion to adjourn: Joe Second: Sue no discussion passes unanimously 5:32pm

Respectfully Submitted,



Joe Graveline
Secretary

February 12, 2018