



## **RAYNHAM BOARD of SEWER COMMISSIONERS**

### **RAYNHAM, MASSACHUSETTS**

### **MINUTES OF AUGUST 8, 2019**

**PRESENT:** Mr. Joseph Bettencourt-Chairman; Mr. Joe Bickel-Commissioner and Mr. Rob Carey, Raynham Sewer Superintendent.

**ABSENT:** Mr. Jeff Kelleher-Commissioner

#### **CALLED TO ORDER:**

Mr. Bettencourt called the meeting to order at 6:00pm

#### **APPROVAL OF MINUTES – Regular Meeting July 11, 2019**

**MOTION:** Moved by Mr. Bickel and seconded by Mr. Bettencourt to approve the minutes of July 11, 2019 as printed. **Discussion:** None. **Vote:** 2-0

#### **SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT**

*Mr. Rob Carey*

##### Phase 7, Contract 1

Mr. Carey informed that the pressure testing, mandrel testing, and vacuum testing are all complete on Phase 1 areas aside from the Rt. 138 street project. Also, the Rt. 138 sewer main construction has begun. This area also includes mainly low-pressure sewer service. Manhole inverts are being completed on Highridge Drive this week. The low-pressure cleanout manhole still needs to be reconfigured on High Ridge Drive. Park Place and Gatsby Drive inverts are being built this week and work continues at the pump station site with the foundation being poured next week. The pump station itself is scheduled to be delivered the first week in September. A Change Order for Gatsby Drive and Park Place has been submitted and reviewed by Tighe & Bond. The Change Order is for the unmarked and mismarked utilities encountered in those areas as well as one water main. The Change Order amount is \$44,502.44. The next project meeting is scheduled for August 21, 2019 at 10:00am.

##### Phase 7, Contract 2

Mr. Carey informed that the project is moving along very quickly. The sewer main has been installed at Fair Lane, Brook Street and Cedar Mill. The sewer main has also been installed at Rose Terrace, although service laterals remain. Work has also begun on Juniper Hill. Final trench paving has been completed on Fair Lane, Brook Street and Cedar Mill. Vacuum testing of manholes and pressure testing of sewer main has also been completed on Fair Lane, Brook Street and Cedar Mill as well as mandrel testing completed on Fair Lane and Brook Street.

Mr. Bettencourt questioned the paving on Brook Street/Fair Lane. He stated that the paving patch was higher than the elevation. To Mr. Carey's knowledge, the issue has not been taken care/

#### Paramount Drive Pump Station

The pump skid is now in place and the suction and force main piping is complete. The electrical sub-contractor has been on site this week, installing and wiring equipment including the pump control panel. Generator submittals have been received and approved by Tighe & Bond.

#### Doe Run Project

Mr. Carey informed that they now have approved plans for the project. The contractor is hoping to get their contractor out there within the next two weeks.

#### Bi-Annual Billing

Mr. Carey informed that the next billing for January 1<sup>st</sup> to June 30, 2019 is nearly complete and should be sent out towards the end of the month. One additional water reading is needed to complete the billing.

#### Confined Space Training

Sewer Department staff attended Confined Space Training which was put on in house by Apollo Safety; all employees are Confined Space certified.

#### Town Meeting

Fall Town Meeting is scheduled for October 21, 2019 with all Articles to be submitted by September 15, 2019. Mr. Carey asked Tighe & Bond to work up some numbers for construction of the Katie Drive easement access improvements which he would like placed as an Article on the Warrant. Another Article that Mr. Carey would like on the Warrant is the purchase of a new utility truck. He received a quote in the amount of \$57,000 for a new F-350 utility truck to replace the oldest utility truck, being the 2005 F-350. He may be able to knock down a little off the price.

#### Phase 7 Betterment

Mr. Carey spoke to Mr. Mike King and he informed him that if we are planning on bettering the Phase 7 project, he will need the information by September 10, 2019.

#### Taunton Treatment Building

The 4<sup>th</sup> quarter bill from Taunton for the Raynham waste water treatment was received in the amount of \$111,226.31.

#### Sewer Service Connection

Mr. Carey informed that there were six (6) new permits pulled this past month, for a total of 57 permits since January.

#### Rt. 44 Pumping Station

There is a sampler pump at the station along with one at the South Street East pumping station. These sampler pumps are used for sampling for billing from Taunton. The Rt. 44 pump gave out today. The pump is approximately 12 years old and the cost to purchase a new sampler pump is around \$5,000. The next sampling at Rt. 44 was scheduled for next week, but the individual is on vacation. This will give Mr. Carey time to purchase a new pump.

#### Park Place Easement

Mr. Carey informed that he is working with the attorney regarding the black top promise.

Mr. Bettencourt asked if the Change Order was ready for the Commission to approve. Mr. Carey informed that it is ready for the Board's signatures. Mr. Carey informed that he has drafted the letter requested by Mr. Bettencourt requesting participating in the process for the mismarked or incorrectly installed utilities.

**MOTION: Moved by Mr. Bickel and seconded by Mr. Bettencourt to accept the Change Order in the amount is \$44,502.44 on Phase 7, Contract 1. Discussion: None. Vote: 2-0**

### **COMMISSION REPORTS**

Mr. Bickel asked if there has been any progress at the old Honey Baked Ham building. Mr. Carey informed that they tested their pumps last week. There was a closed valve on the Sewer Department's end but that was resolved.

Mr. Bettencourt is very pleased with the contractor hired by the Sewer Department. They are doing a very good job for the Town and he is pleased with mode of operation, the people the contractor has and the quality of what they are doing.

### **ADJOURNMENT**

Mr. Bettencourt asked for a motion to adjourn.

**MOTION: Moved by Mr. Bickel and seconded by Mr. Bettencourt to adjourn from the Raynham Sewer Commission Meeting of August 8, 2019 at 6:15pm for the performance of administrative duties, signing bills with no business to be conducted afterwards. Vote: 2-0**

*Transcribed from Recording*

Respectfully submitted,

Dawn Caradonna  
Recording Secretary

### Documents provided to the Sewer Commission

Mr. Carey's Report  
Minutes – July 11, 2019

Next Meeting date:

Thursday, September 12, 2019 @ 6:00pm
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