

WATER COMMISSION MEETING MINUTES

Thursday, January 21, 2016

Durham Town Hall, 2nd Floor Conference Room

Call to order: by Chairman Ray Bahr at 7:00pm

Present: First Selectman Laura Francis, Marilyn Keurajian, John Hogarth and Bill Milardo

Absent: Patricia Crowley, Selectman Steve Levy and Dir. of Health Aimee Eberly

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Motion to approve the agenda by J. Hogarth, 2nd by Bill Milardo. All ayes: motion carried.

APPROVAL OF MEETING MINUTES

Motion to approve the minutes of 10/15/2015 by L. Francis, 2nd by M. Keurajian. 3 ayes and R. Bahr and L. Francis abstained: motion carried.

LEXINGTON PLACE

A motion was made to make minor repairs to the exterior of the pump house at a cost of \$560.00 by L. Francis, 2nd by R. Bahr. All ayes: motion carried.

UNPAID BILL NOTIFICATION

B. Milardo explained that a notice was placed on the Durham Land Records concerning an unpaid invoice for 24 Cherry Lane. The house is for sale and a title search may lead to payment of the invoice at a closing/sale.

WATER COMPANY FINANCIALS

P. Crowley will be asked to email finalized budgets to the Commission members.

BILL APPROVALS

None.

OLD/NEW BUSINESS

Discussion concerning apparent increase in electrical cost at the pumpstations that serve Lexington Place and Durham Center. A brief review of the current bills indicates less electricity usage than same month of previous year. L. Francis will request that Pat Bandzes of Eversource provide an explanation.

Discussion concerning the Durham Public Library's high water usage since mid September. B. Milardo and R. McManus, Town Building Official had surveyed the premises to determine if a leak, running toilet or split pipe existed. No issues were observed on 2 occasions. C T Water was asked to conduct a check on the function of the water meters. They appear to function properly but CT Water will continue to monitor the situation. It may be necessary to replace the meters. M. Keurajian suggested that the exterior spigots be locked if they are not already. Motion by B. Milardo to adjust the Library's bills to reflect the average monthly water use. 4 months at 2,000 gallons per month is 8,000 gallons. The billed usage was 33,000 gallons. Therefore $33,000 - 8,000 = 25,000$ gallons x \$.0062/gallon = \$155.00 credit, 2nd by R. Bahr. All ayes: motion carried.

B. Milardo explained that the CT Department of Public Health plans to require that public water systems provide evidence that their back-up generators are regularly maintained. The Lexington Place generator was serviced on Wednesday, January 20th.

ADJOURN

Motion to adjourn the meeting by L. Francis, 2nd by M. Keurajian, all ayes: motion carried. The meeting was adjourned at 7:40pm.

Minutes respectfully submitted by B. Milardo