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Notice of Meeting

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Notice is hereby given in accordance with Chapter 30A, Sections 18-25 of the General Laws of a meeting of the:

Board of Water and Sewer Commission

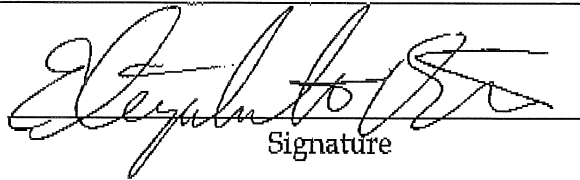
(Name of the Board, Committee, Commission, Authority, Etc)

The meeting will be held at 3:30PM On June 7th, 2023

The location of the meeting will be Chicopee DPW via Zoom & In Person

Full description of location 115 Baskin Drive, Chicopee MA, 01020
(Street Address)

The purpose of the meeting Regular Monthly Meeting



Signature

DPW Superintendent

Title

5/31/2023

Date of Notice

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Superintendent

BOARD OF WATER & SEWER COMMISSIONERS

REGULAR MEETING OF THE CHICOPEE WATER & SEWER COMMISSION

Wednesday June 7th, 2023

3:30PM

DPW Headquarters – Baskin Drive

AGENDA

1. Approval Of Minutes

-May 3rd, 2023

2. Abatements

-88 Old Fuller Rd EXT-Judith Bourne

-102 Carriage Rd-Jane Jazouit

3. Old Business

4. New Business

- Water Settlement of Claims Appropriation

BOARD OF WATER & SEWER COMMISSION

Richard Grabiec, Commissioner
Francis LaBreck, Commissioner
William Zaskey, Commissioner
James Carabetta, Commissioner
Chung S. Liu, Commissioner
Lester Gagne, Commissioner
Mary Kukla, Commissioner

REGULAR MEETING OF THE BOARD OF WATER & SEWER COMMISSION

Wednesday, May 3rd, 2023

3:30PM

DPW Offices – Baskin Drive

VIRTUAL MEETING

The Regular meeting of the Board of Water & Sewer Commission was held May 3rd, 2023. The meeting was called to order by Commissioner Grabiec at 3:30PM who stated that this meeting is being recorded.

Present: Bill Zaskey-Commissioner
Richard Grabiec-Commissioner
Lester Gagne-Commissioner
James Carabetta-Commissioner
Francis Labreck-Commissioner
Mary Kukla-Commissioner
Quinn Lonczak-WPC Project Advisor
Jennifer Harazmus-DPW Financial Administrator
Elizabethte Batista- DPW Superintendent
Eric Kerr-Chief Operator
John Wolowicz- Resident of 428 East Main St

1. Approval of Minutes

The minutes for the meeting of April 5th, 2023, were presented to the for approval. Motion to approve. Motion Passed.

2. Abatements

-Attached are the abatements and the commissioner's votes regarding them.

3. Old Business

Updates on all ongoing projects and communications

-Within the Water Department, James St water main installation is moving along well. The Water department is also starting a pilot program where meters will be read with cellular. We are sending an informational post to the city council at the next meeting to discuss the new water rate increase at the next city council meeting. After the Water Superintendent resigned, we solved an issue after not having a primary and secondary operator not listed per our permit. After discussion with DEP and listed within our permit it should not be administrative staff that it should be with our laborer staff. There has been an agreement for a stipend for the primary operator and the two secondary operators per the recommendation of DEP. We are currently working with law and HR to get MOAs in place because it must be negotiated. Those will now become part of their salary. There will be retro pay from April 21st of this year when it became effective. Between the three individuals it will be around \$43,000 for the three employees. We will now be within our permit.

-The centrifuge was having issues with strong vibrations which limited our ability to operate properly and move a larger volume of materials through it. Jones Ferry Pumping station project has been challenging. The new equipment that was installed wasn't operating properly. We are working with the company to get new equipment reinstalled and working properly per our contract. We are assessing liquidated damages because the project is taking longer than the projected date and it is costing us more in consulting fees. South Fairview CSO office estimates came in at an estimated \$16 million. Due to inflation, it came in at \$19 million with this being the cheaper of both bids. We currently have a request to ARPA right now to cover, at the least, the minimum to cover the increase but to also cover a good portion of the water.

3. New Business

-Water Department Workmen's Compensation Account Appropriation

- \$100,000 will be transferred into this account to carry us through the rest of this fiscal year to cover the cost of our Workmen's Compensation bills.

-Water leak Detection Agreement Appropriation

- This transfer of \$52,930.00 will cover the contractual obligations with MWRA that DEP mandated for the city to have a leak detection survey every couple years.

-Sewer Sludge Disposal Account Appropriation

- With the installation of the new solids handling equipment, it has been proved to help with reducing the spending on sludge removal. The \$248,000 transfer will cover the cost through the end of the fiscal year.

- Next meeting will be held on Wednesday, June 7th, 2023 . Motion to adjourn meeting. Motion Passed.