

TOWN OF BRIDGEWATER
SELECTBOARD / SEWER COMMISSIONERS
MINUTES OF OCTOBER 20, 2015

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Meeting was called to order at 6:30 pm by Norman (Nope) Martin, Chair.

Present: John Timken, Mary Oldenburg, Vicky Young, Randy Kennedy and Nancy Robinson
Visitors: Seth Shaw, BVS Director and Virginia Dean, VT Standard Reporter

John moved to accept the minutes of October 6, 2015 as written. Mary seconded the motion and motion carried.

Visitors: Seth Shaw came before the board to discuss a letter/legal opinion from Atty. Scott regarding the ownership of the Bridgewater Village School building (Town owns land) and the process of transferring ownership to the town. Letter suggests that the School District has ownership of the building and in order to convey this ownership it must go before the legal voters of the town at a regular or special district meeting. Discussion ensued as to benefit of having a special meeting verses waiting until Town Meeting in March. Seth will bring this item before the Bridgewater School board at their next meeting which will be held on November 2nd. If the board is in agreement of having a special meeting, they will proceed with the warning process and a meeting scheduled for early to mid-December. Brief discussion regarding sheds at back of school. Original plan was to move them to Prosper Valley School but they are not needed there. Seth will take care of putting them up for sale and if no buyers, may offer them as a donation/gift.

Highway Report: Winter sand is almost done. Freightliner truck is going to Osgood's for repair of lights. Grading, ditching and getting ready for the winter season.

Treasurer's File: Two order sheets were signed; one for regular invoices and the other for voted town and social service appropriations. Vicky discussed with board two residential properties on the sewer line that are advertising as commercial rentals. Letters have been sent to both owners indicating that their residential status may change to commercial and that the number of units billed could increase. Board authorized Vicky to increase units on both properties as outlined in the town ordinance to begin with the second quarter billing (Oct – Dec). Fiscal year 14-15 audit is almost completed and town should have a draft report within a month.

Clerk's File: November calendar given to board. One board meeting on November 17th. at regular time of 4:30 pm. Nope will be away from October 31st. until November 8th.

New/Other: Town has received notice from Two Rivers Regional Planning Commission of a meeting on Sharon on November 16th to learn about Green Mountain Power's eHome (energy plan) initiative. Mary mentioned that a few roof shingles at the Wastewater Treatment Plant need to be replaced/repared. Board authorized Phil Wilkerson to make this repair.

Being no further business, motion was made to adjourn at 7:30 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Nancy Robinson
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Clerk