



PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION
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REGULAR MEETING

Monday, March 21, 2016

4:00 p.m.

C.J. Hurgin Municipal Center – Meeting Room “A”

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Present: First Selectman Knickerbocker, Selectman Richard Straiton, Selectman Paul Szalowski, Commissioner Gualtieri and Commissioner Valenti. Also in attendance were, Public Works Director Douglas Arndt, Utility Supervisor Kelly Curtis, Comptroller Kozlowski and Town Attorney Martin Lawlor.

Call to Order: First Selectman Knickerbocker called the Regular Meeting to order at 4:04 p.m. and led the Pledge of Allegiance.

Public Input: None

Correspondence: None

Meeting Minutes from Regular Meeting of March 7, 2016:

Commissioner Gualtieri made a motion, which was seconded by Commissioner Valenti, to approve the minutes of March 7, 2016, as presented. Vote, All in Favor, Motion Approved.

Director's Report: Director Arndt reported the following:

- Low pressure water violation from DPH on Briar Cliff Manor and Long Meadow Lane. Will be providing the DPH with more detail on the situation and looking to schedule a meeting with them in the near future. Approximately 15 home affected. Attorney Lawlor did research on properties, as requested, and found no restrictions on water in the deeds or maps.
- Asset Management Appropriation: Director Arndt presented documentation to the Commission in the amount of \$23,928.00 to allow the staff to purchase the technology components needed.

First Selectman Knickerbocker made a motion, which was seconded by Commissioner Valenti, to approve the technology request to support the Novotx Asset Management Software in the amount not to exceed \$23,928.00. Vote, All in Favor, Motion Approved.

Old Business:

- **5 North Road:** First Selectman Knickerbocker reported it was a previous practice of the Public Utilities Commission for the sewer projects to reimburse homeowners in the amount of \$1,500.00, if once the system was installed it was designed to use a grinder pump system to pump up to street level.

First Selectman Knickerbocker made a motion, which was seconded by Commissioner Valenti, to reimburse Daniel LaMontange in the amount of \$1,500. Vote, All in Favor, Motion Approved.

- **49 Taylor Avenue:** First Selectman Knickerbocker stated the Commission has not received a recommendation from the Public Works office, as of today. Mr. Draper stated final plans were delivered to the Public Works office on March 17th, 2016. He is still planning on connecting to the Town's water and sewer. He is unhappy with the length of time the process has taken. Director Arndt stated that from an engineering perspective Public Works has everything needed to move forward. The easement would need to be addressed next.

First Selectman Knickerbocker made a motion, which was seconded by Selectman Straiton, to table pending a full report from Public Works. Vote, All in Favor, Motion Approved.

Financial Reports:

- **Financial Report:** Comptroller Kozlowski distributed the Financial Reports and gave an overview.
- **Invoices:**

Invoices for PUC Approval

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Item #	Vendor	Inv. Date	Inv. #	Amount	% Complete	Description	Account
1	Standard Demolition Services	11/30/15		\$3,549.75	100%	Demo of Hick Tank & Grey Tank through 11/30/15	Water Dept. #0210160-5313
2	News Times	02/01/16		\$1,232.79		Posting Contract 3.2 Sewer Assessment Resident List	Sewer Dept. #0310160-5313
3	News Times	02/01/16		\$590.19		Posting Contract 3.2 Sewer Assessment Legal Notice	Sewer Dept. #0310160-5313
4	Martin Lawlor #4077	03/01/16	16-03	\$286.00		Professional Services Sewer Project	Sewer Dept. #0310160-5352
5	Martin Lawlor #4077	03/01/16	16-03	\$468.60		Professional Services Sewer Invoice	Sewer Dept. #0310160-5352

6	Martin Lawlor #4077	03/01/16	16-03	\$1,171.50		Professional Services Water Invoice	Water Dept #0210160-5352
TOTAL:				\$7,298.83			

First Selectman Knickerbocker made a motion, which was seconded by Selectman Straiton, to approve the invoices, dated March 21, 2016, in the amount of \$7,298.83. Vote, All in Favor, Motion Approved.

First Selectman Knickerbocker reported a resident complaint about a chain link fence being left at the Hickok Tank location. He requested checking if it was in the specifications for the job and removing it.

Engineering / Utility Consultant Report: Mr. Curtis reported the following:

- Gave update on water quality. Tuesday sample at Chestnut Ridge over the limit and will schedule pulling to the end of the line at Dodgingtown. Commissioner Valenti requested the elevation difference between Eureka and Chestnut Ridge. Attorney Lawlor reported the Town does not yet have the permit to build the tank from Danbury, still waiting for Zoning sign off, and that it could cause a timing issue.
- Weston and Sampson locating hydrants tomorrow.

Comptroller Kozlowski reported he left a message for Mr. Lecates, 200 Old Hawleyville, on the calculation of his sewer assessment. It is based on frontage and acreage. Mr. Lecates had an old schedule that he was using for his complaint but it was revised after the fact. Comptroller Kozlowski will clarify the matter with Mr. Lecates.

Adjourn: As there was no further business on the agenda, First Selectman Knickerbocker made a motion, which was seconded by Selectman Straiton, to adjourn the meeting at 5:05 p.m. Vote: All in Favor, Motion Unanimously Approved.

Respectfully submitted,



Kathy Galbis, Recording Secretary