



**PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION**  
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**SUB COMMITTEE  
SPECIAL MEETING MINUTES**

Monday, June 9, 2014  
4:00 p.m.

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

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Present: Selectman Richard Straiton, Commissioner Peter Valenti, Public Works Director Andrew Morosky.

Also in attendance: Commissioner Michael Gribbin.

Call to Order: Selectman Straiton called the meeting to order at 4:05 p.m.

Public Input: None

**Consideration of Prioritized Water Main Replacements - Water Department Capital Improvement Program –**

During a discussion regarding the overall plan, the following topics were covered:

- Commissioner Valenti voiced concern that the Commission can't “nickel and dime” this process. Projects that need to be done need to be identified up front.
- Can new wells be moved up on the schedule to allow for “retirement” of Chestnut WTP. Mr. Morosky indicated the State is actively reviewing what has been submitted and other work will have to be done before wells can be installed and placed into service. The wells need to at least supply more water than can be safely treated at Chestnut WTP if the plant is to be taken off-line.
- Route 302 intersections must be a priority with the impending paving operation. All crossings should be updated, as needed, to ensure there is no need to dig in Route 302 when making water main improvements indicated in the plan. Specific intersections along Route 302 to be addressed by Wright-Pierce and work scheduled as soon as possible include:

Beach Street  
Highland Avenue  
Judd Avenue

Rector Street  
Farnum Hill Road

Andrews Street  
Midway Drive

- Grandview Avenue shows 2” galvanized. If in service, this should be replaced. Commissioner Valenti noted that potential nearby development may require upgrading system in this area. (K. Curtis confirmed one side of street is connected to galvanized main).
- New main should be installed on lower Whittlesey Drive when the new bridge / box culverts are being installed. Needed for transmission of water from proposed wellfield.

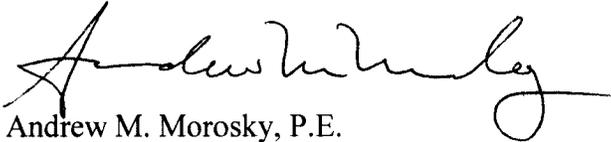
- Midway Drive is shown as priority 1 for the upper part (the loop) and priority 3B for the lower part (down to Route 302).
- Honey Hollow is shown as being part of an upcoming paving project and therefore was included in main replacement, however, this road is not scheduled for paving soon.
- Water mains that should be included in the first round of projects include the following:

Beach Street	Rector Street	Andrews Street
Highland Avenue	Farnum Hill Road	Mountain Orchard Road
Seely Street	Second Lane	Oakland Heights
Grandview Avenue (eliminate 2" main)		

- Next round of main replacement must include Grassy Plain Street in order to eliminate the 4" water mains.
- Putnam Park Road should be investigated in terms of connecting a main from Short Drive to close a loop.
- Selectman Straiton indicated that \$50,000 must be set aside annually for valve replacement program.
- Public relations need to be an important consideration in terms of letting ratepayers know of the anticipated costs to upgrade the system. The fact that insufficient fire flows are to be addressed by these main replacements needs to be stressed so the benefits can be understood.

Adjourn: As there was no other business on the agenda, Selectman Straiton made a motion, seconded by Commissioner Valenti, to adjourn the meeting at 4:55 p.m. Vote: All in favor, motion carries.

Respectfully submitted,



Andrew M. Morosky, P.E.  
Public Works Director