

WATER RESOURCES DEPARTMENT

The Board of Water Commissioners met in open session on Tuesday, July 5, 2016. The meeting convened at 7:00 p.m. in the Westfield Municipal Building, Room 201.

Those in attendance were: Water Commissioners Ronald Cole, Chair; Matthew Barnes, Secretary; Michael Burns, Sr., Member; Public Works Director David Billips; Water Deputy Steven Fernandes; Budget Analyst Joanna Williams; Recording Secretary Angela Bolduc.

PUBLIC PARTICIPATION: None

AGENDA ITEMS:

66 Butternut Road – Joseph Zelez – grant waiver; lot doesn't abut water main

Mr. Zelez stated his intentions are to bring water service to a new lot. The lot is Map 27R and Parcel 22 known presently as 56 City View Blvd. The City granted Mr. Zelez a variance to build a single family house to be known as 66 Butternut Road. Mr. Zelez is requesting a waiver to come across fifty (50) feet on a right of way which he owns.

Motion made by Commissioner Barnes to approve a waiver to grant a variance for both distance and the property at Butternut dose not abut the water main. A meter pit will be installed at the end of Butternut and the maintenance of the water line will be the responsibility of the owner. Motion seconded by Commissioner Burns. Motion approved.

26 Dubois St. – Lien Interest Abatement

James and Heather Van Sickle are requesting an abatement on all the committed lien interest for the FY15 liened utility bills. A clerical error resulted in returned mail for this property. Since the owners did not receive these utility bills they are requesting the interest only to be forgiven.

Motion made by Commissioner Barnes to approve all the committed lien interest abatement request for 26 Dubois St. Motion seconded by Commissioner Burns. Motion approved.

32 Wilson Ave. – Lien Interest Abatement

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Motion made by Commissioner Barnes to approve all the committed lien interest abatement request for 32 Wilson Ave. Motion seconded by Commissioner Burns. Motion approved.

Water meter project bond request

Department of Public Works Director, David Billips presented to the Board a bond request for the Department of Public Works Water Division water meter replacement project for the sum of four million dollars (\$4,000,000.00) to be appropriated to pay the cost of the replacement of water meters in the City of Westfield Municipal Water System to include the purchase of new water meters, the purchase and installation of a Fixed Network Meter Reading System, the replacement of existing water meters, and for the payment of all costs incidental and related thereto.

Motion made by Commissioner Barnes to approve the bond request in the amount of four million dollars (\$4,000,000.00) for the water meter replacement project. Motion seconded by Commissioner Burns. Motion approved

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Overtime Reports – The June Overtime Reports were given to the Commissioners. The Board had no questions regarding the reports.

Approval of Minutes

Motion made by Commissioner Barnes to approve the minutes as written for the June 5, 2016 meeting of the Board of Water Commissioners. Motion seconded by Commissioner Cole, Motion Approved

Project updates –

Department of Public Works Director, David Billips mentioned that the department would benefit from purchasing an escalator and paving box. Director Billips believes the department is capable of completing additional projects in house.

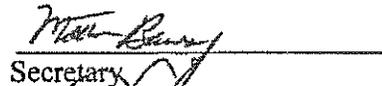
Director Billips also mentioned a possible need for carbon filtration for any wells receiving inconsistent or unacceptable test results.

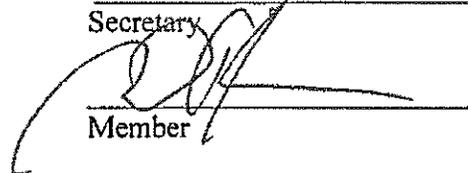
The next meeting of the Board of Water Commissioners will be on Tuesday, September 6, 2016.

Adjourn

Motion made by Commissioner Barnes to adjourn; Motion seconded by Commissioner Cole, Motion approved. ADJOURN: 8:04 P.M.


Chairman


Secretary


Member