

Board of Sewer Commissioners
59 East Brookfield Road
North Brookfield, MA 01535

Meeting Minutes
February 23, 2015

Present:

Donald E. Smith-Vice Chairman
John Farmer, Clerk
Rodney Jenkins, Sewer Superintendent
Laurie Lapierre-Recording Secretary

The Town of North Brookfield Sewer Commissioners Meeting was called to order at 3:30 p.m.

1. Discuss and accept minutes from January 12, 2015.

Mr. Farmer made a motion to accept the minutes as presented. Mr. Smith seconded the motion; all were in favor, approved.

2. Superintendent Report.

- The UV lights were purchased, received and have been stored.
- The oil cap blew off on the snow blower and the motor seized. A new snow blower has been ordered and should be received next week. We are looking into replacing the motor and transporting this snow blower to and from the pump stations.
- The belt has been installed on the belt filter press. This is the third belt in 20 years.
- Still waiting on pulling the pump on New Braintree Road. Routine maintenance, the pump is beginning to rag up.

3. Update FY 16 Budget.

Mr. Jenkins stated he is holding off on passing in the FY 2016 budget until the health insurance rates are finalized. The total budget stands at \$871,277.

We were told by the Town Treasurer that we have to budget in \$3,115.00 for John Mansfield, a former employee as a contribution to his health insurance for FY 16. At this time we are unsure if it is a yearly or one time charge. Everyone that Mr. Mansfield has worked for over the years must pay in.

4. Set 2nd half sewer rates.

After discussion, Mr. Farmer made a motion to increase sewer rates 3%. The current rate has been established at \$12.34/1000 gallons at 90 % usage. Mr. Smith seconded the motion; all were in favor, approved.

NEW BUSINESS:

The meeting adjourned at 3:59 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,

Laurie Lapierre
Recording Secretary