

Town of Newton Utility Advisory Board  
September 17, 2013

The regular meeting of the Newton Utility Advisory Board was held on September 17, 2013, at 7:30 p.m. at the Newton Municipal Building, 39 Trinity Street, Newton. Chairman Lawler called the meeting to order and the following members were present: Ms. Unhoch, Mr. Pham, and Chairman Lawler. Mr. David Simmons, Engineer, Mr. Paul Baldwin, Water/Sewer Supervisor, and Mrs. Jacki Shackleton, Utility Collector, were also in attendance. Mrs. Millikin was excused.

Chairman Lawler read the Open Public Meetings Act statement and then moved to approval of the minutes from the June 18, 2013 meeting. Ms. Unhoch motioned to approve the minutes and was seconded by Mr. Pham. The minutes were unanimously approved by an "aye" vote.

The first order of business was for Margaret Samuel-Siegel of 37 Madison Street, who was requesting waiver of the 2<sup>nd</sup> quarter penalty due to an address discrepancy. Chairman Lawler clarified that the address was changed in the Tax System and not the Water System. He then motioned to waive the penalty and was seconded by Ms. Unhoch. The request was unanimously accepted by an "aye" vote.

Chairman Lawler asked Mr. Baldwin about the water treatment plant, and Mr. Baldwin stated that everything is running smoothly. Mr. Baldwin added that Morris Lake is down about a foot which is typical for this time of year.

Mr. Simmons gave the engineer's report, stating that the Water Department has finished the Howard Street water main project from Diller Avenue to Oak Street. Mr. Baldwin said that two services are in and tested, and the other two would be in shortly. Mr. Simmons went on to say that he received a call from the Glen Lake engineer and indicated that they will be starting work on lowering the dam. Once the dam is lowered, DEP would like the Town to take photographs. He said also that Mr. Smalley was at Glen Lake locating blow out valves so the Town can cut blow-offs to Morris Lake if necessary. Mr. Simmons concluded his report by saying that the Town Attorney and the Glen Lake Association attorney are working on easements. He also added that the August water allocation was 700,000 gallons per day.

There being no other business to discuss, Chairman Lawler made a motion to adjourn the meeting and was seconded by Mr. Pham. The meeting was adjourned at 7:41 p.m.

RESPECTFULLY SUBMITTED,

Jacki Shackleton