

Town of Newton Utility Advisory Board
January 15, 2019

The regular meeting of the Newton Utility Advisory Board was held on January 15, 2019 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: Chairman Lawler, Mr. Vrahnos and Mr. Carchia. Mr. David Simmons, Engineer, Mrs. Jacki Shackleton, Utility Collector, and Mr. Joseph Carr, Licensed Operator were also present.

Chairman Lawler opened the meeting and began with approval of the October 16, 2018 minutes. Mr. Carchia motioned to approve the minutes and was seconded by Chairman Lawler. They were unanimously approved with an "aye" vote.

The first order of new business was for William & Janet Scrowcroft of 15 Union Place. They were requesting waiver of sewer charges resulting from a broken pipe. After a brief discussion, Chairman Lawler motioned to approve the waiver of excess charges. The motion was seconded by Mr. Carchia and unanimously approved with an "aye" vote.

Regarding the Water Plant and Sewer Treatment Plant, Mr. Carr stated that Morris Lake is two inches above the spillway. He continued on to report that the Town now has a new sewer engineer, Fred from PCI. He stated that the ambulance garage did the water tap this week and are working on the sewer line.

In his engineer report, Mr. Simmons stated that no sprinkler was required at the ambulance building, but they opted to go ahead and install one. It was decided that there would be a two-inch domestic line and a six-inch fire line. The reason for two separate mains was so that if in the future it became necessary to discontinue service for nonpayment, the building would still be sprinklered. The DOT would only allow one tap, so they had to branch off and install another curb stop. Punctuated Equilibrium aka Thorlabs obtained site plan approval for Diller & Sparta Avenue to install a parking lot. There are a number of easements on the property which have been addressed. The property is also contaminated, but

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the parking lot should cap it. Natural Selections aka Thorlabs will also be coming in for the area of the old Moose Lodge and Camp Iliff property.

Regarding the Bula building, Mr. Simmons reported that John Kweselait would be developing the building into a three or four-story building. He continued on to say that USGS did a free survey of the lake, and a brief discussion took place. He said that there is a meeting about Bridge Q6 in Sparta tomorrow and the 16" main should be relocated but not at Newton's expense. He said that the Wawa between Dairy Queen and Lowes has been approved in Hampton and the Wawa in place of the Chatterbox in Hampton also got conditional approval. There being no more business to discuss, Chairman Lawler motioned to adjourn and was seconded by Mr. Carchia.

RESPECTFULLY SUBMITTED,

Jacki Shackleton