

Draft

North Hero Water Board Meeting  
Monday.. January 25, 2010  
Board Meeting Room/Town Office  
6:30 P.M.

In Attendance: Water Board: Frank Dattilio, Jay O'Boyle and Robert Rousseau  
Absent: Larry Dupont and Rob Cunningham  
Town Clerk/Treasurer: Pete Johnson  
Board Clerk: Jo-Ann Tier  
Water Board Operator: Jeff Gratton

#### CALL MEETING TO ORDER

Meeting was called to order by Chair Jay O'Boyle at 6:36 P.M.

#### REVIEW AND APPROVE BILLS FOR PAYMENT

Warrant in the amount of \$1,735.73 was circulated and reviewed by the Board.  
Robert Rousseau made a motion that the warrant in the amount of \$1,735.73 be  
signed.. this motion was seconded by Jay O'Boyle.. hearing no further discussion..  
this motion was carried 3-0.

#### ADJUSTMENT OF AGENDA

Unfinished Business - Lease agreement with the State of Vermont  
Under Correspondence for Sharing – information  
Plans for the Supernault Project (Abnaki Road)

#### APPROVAL OF MINUTES... Monday, January 11, 2010

Robert Rousseau made a motion to accepted the minutes of Monday, January  
11, 2010 as read. This motion was seconded by Jay O'Boyle.. hearing no further  
discussion.. this motion was carried 2-0.  
Note: Frank Dattilio not a commissioner on January 11, 2010.

#### RECOGNITION OF VISITORS AND PUBLIC COMMENTS

Note: no visitors at this meeting.

## REPORTS

### Water Operator

#### Vosha Traffic Safety Workshop

Jeff explained the need to attend the Traffic Safety Workshop.. Workshop scheduled for Friday, February 26, 2010 in Waterbury, Vermont. The cost would be \$35.00 each with a 20% discount for members.

At this workshop the Manual of Uniform Traffic Control (MUTC) will be referenced.

Jay O'Boyle made a motion that Jeff and Doug participate in this workshop at the cost of \$35.00 each with a 20% discount for members.

Referenced was made by Jeff if the cost to attend would come out of the Public Works budget and/or the Water Board budget.

Note: Course description attached to the minutes.

#### Notes on Water Use Ordinances

Each commissioner received a copy of the suggestions by Jeff Gratton.

#### Safety Program

Each commissioner received a copy of this program.

#### December Report

- Using only alum as a coagulant .. and having good results.
- Test cycle for HAA and THM is in for January
- AECOM engineer, Andy Reid, and Jeff met to discuss the chloramine study
- Siemens Water Technologies three quotes were given to the Board.
- Flow meter will still not down load data...Fleximi and Selmon rep in the area is being asked to help out with problem.
- Three curb rods have been replaced
- Poles have been placed on blow offs.
- Water quality complaint at 1650 Bridge Road was shared by Jeff. Family has been away and he will be in touch with them tomorrow, January 26<sup>th</sup>, for an update and will report back to the Board what testing was done and the testing results.
- Calibrating high lift pumps
- Lead and copper testing has past for three years. Water Operator had asked for (under EPA rules) and received a waiver on lead and cooper testing until 2012.  
The testing in 2012 will be at least 10 sited instead of 20. The town will aave \$800.00 in testing cost for the next 2 years and \$200 in 2012 because of the reduction in test sites.
- VFD for # 3 is mounted – but still needs the final wiring for start up and to put into service.  
Board asked Jeff to get in touch with Dwayne Cormier and get a timeline when this will be done.
- Jeff shared and reviewed that Filter # 1 is getting to be a problem.

#### Current Opt Out Program

Jay asked Jeff Gratton if the discussion around the current Opt Out Program had ended.

Ans. from Jeff.. yes, and thank you very much.

Vermont Intrastate Mutual Aid and Assistance Agreement For Water and Waste Water Utilities

Briefly reviewed by Jeff...

Note: copies will be made and circulated to each commissioner for his review.

VERMONT WARN... Utilities Helping Utilities

Note: copies will be made and circulated to each commissioner for his review.

All About WARN

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Jeff Gratton shared his work day at 6 – 1.

Frank Dattilio will be phoning Jeff to set up a time to visit the plant.

Town Clerk

Possible change in water payment to “quarterly” and the impact on cash flow

A “Cash Flow Projection FY 10-11 was distribute by Pete for discussion.

Note: Information given to the commission is attached to the Town Clerk minutes

Pete reviewed the proposed dates for voters to decide:

Taxes: August, November, February and May

Water: July, October, January and April

UNFINISHED BUSINESS FOR ACTION OR DISCUSSION

January 18, 2010 Selectboard’s appointment to Water Board.... Frank Dattilio

Robert Rousseau reported that at the January 18, 2010 the North Hero Selectboard appointed Frank Dattilio to the Water Board and that on January 19, 2010, a letter was mailed from the Selectboard to Frank of this appointment.

Agreement of Lease Between State of Vermont and Agency of Transportation and Town of North Hero

Jay shared that the lease was signed by Marie Kilbride, Chair North Hero Selectboard and it has been forwarded to Attorney Paul Gillies for his review. Future Agenda Item

Update.. Water Operator.. “Opt-Out” of the Town of North Hero’s Group Insurance Program.... Larry Dupont Robert Rousseau

Discussion took place under Water Operator’s Report.

CORRESPONDENCE FOR SHARING – DISCUSISON/ACTION

Possible change in water payments to “quarterly” and the impact on cash flow

Discussed under Town Clerk’s Report

CORRESPONDENCE FOR SHARING – INFORMATION

Plans for the Supernault Project.. Abnaki Road

Plans were made available for Board review.

Board agreed that Jay should share them with Terry Schaefer to see if he had any comments

for the plans submitted.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

AGENDA BUILDING

February 22, 2010....

Unfinished Business: hook-ons.. cost by the Water Board

: Lease Agreement reviewed by Attorney Paul Gillies

Water Operator Report: update on 1650 Bridge Road (water having a blue tinge to  
it when first used)

ADJOURNMENT

Robert Rousseau made a motion to adjourn the meeting.. this motion was  
seconded by Frank Dattilio.. hearing no further discussion.. this motion was  
carried 2-0.

Respectfully Submitted,

Jo-Ann Tier

C: Jay/Rob/Robert/Larry and Frank  
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