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North Hero Water Board Meeting  
Monday, September 28, 2009 6:30 P.M.  
Board Meeting Room/Town Office

In Attendance: Water Board - Robert Rousseau, Rob Cunningham  
and Jay O'Boyle  
Absent: Terry Schaefer.. ill and Larry Dupont  
in London!

Board Clerk: Jo-Ann Tier  
Water Board Operator: Jeff Gratton  
Assistant Water Board Operator: Douglas Ward

#### CALL MEETING TO ORDER

This meeting was called to order by Robert Rousseau at 6:31 P.M.

#### REVIEW AND APPROVE BILLS FOR PAYMENT

##### Discussion

- Waste Water Management Division Application Fee in the amount \$100.00 was signed by Robert Rousseau with the permission of the Board due to the absence of Terry Schaefer
- \$450.00 invoice ... Beaver Creek...expenditure was questioned ... Jeff will double check in the a.m.
- Board questioned how much money has been spent on Pelots Point. Board minutes... August 24, 2009 were read:  
"Rob Cunningham made a motion that the Water Board spend \$1,500.00 for an additional extension to the municipal water line on Pelots Point. This was seconded by Jay O'Boyle.. motion was carried 4-0.  
Board minutes .... July 27, 2009 .... Larry Dupont made a motion seconded by Jay O'Boyle that the North Hero Water Board approve the \$3,500.00 expense for piping and valves on Pelots Point Road for approximately 430 feet which will extend the current Town waterline. and, that the cost for digging, blasting and piping to the property owners home/cottages is at the owner's expense....."

Jeff Gratton was asked to review the warrants and have a report for the Board on what monies are left. (Pelots Point extension)

The warrant in the amount of \$4,685.37 was signed by Jay O'Boyle, Robert Rousseau and Rob Cunningham.

Note: please note comment on page .... Re: \$450.00 invoice

#### RECOGNITION OF VISITORS AND PUBLIC COMMENTS

No visitors and/or public comments at this time

#### ADJUSTMENT OF AGENDA

Correspondence for Action or Discussion - Letter from Joe Poquette  
received 09.22.09

- e.mail to Marie Kilbride from Paul Gillies
- New service connections

APPROVAL OF MINUTES .... August 24, 2009

Jay O'Boyle moved that the minutes for August 24, 2009 be accepted as read. This motion was seconded by Rob Cunningham.. hearing no further discussion.. this motion was approved 3-0.

## REPORTS

### Water Operator

Jeff distributed the Water System Report for both the month of August and September.

He reviewed the September Report with the Board:

- ASCO vacuum switch replaced for the backwash on filter # 2
- Many dig safes – mostly for Fairpoint
- Leak on Abnaki.. 225 to 250 gpm leak – repaired with a repair clamp. Hole in the pipe about 2” by 1”. Irick help with leak. Discussion took place for replacement of this pipe line in the future
- Parker Lodge – valve repaired.. Found valve stem rusted onto packing gland.
- Pelots Point extension is now in service
- Raw water intake was inspected by Eugene Brunelle.. intake found to be in good shape, some zebra mussels around the intake and a small amount of plant growth on the screen, etc.

Pricing for CD's to record drawings.. Blueprints/Repo Graphics... Discussion took place... noting that it is not necessary to have the drawings on file done.

Jeff shared that the added projects done in the Town .. i.e. Longmeadow – Fee Fee Point, etc. do not have drawings on file

### Town Clerk

Warrant prepared for Board review and signatures

## UNFINISHED BUSINESS FOR ACTION OR DISCUSSION

### Update on communication with Selectboard.. Terry Schaefer

Robert Rousseau shared that Terry and Jeff Gratton attended the September 10<sup>th</sup> Selectboard Meeting to review the violation of Maximum Contaminant Level for HAAS and THMs.

Their presentations were very informative.

It was noted that at this meeting the Water Board referenced the upcoming increase in hook-on fees and water rates. (note. Letter was sent to Selectboard with this information)

### Update on the availability of fire protection monies... Terry Schaefer

Agenda item will be placed on the October 26, 2009 meeting due to the absence of Terry Schaefer this evening.

Update on Pelots Point

Discussed under Water Operator's report...

The marina will not be hooking on at this time... it looks like they will do this next year.

It was noted that Bow & Arrow Point has expressed an interest in hooking on as a seasonal user. Discussion followed with information about the 4" line at Camp Abnaki.... going on to Bow & Arrow with a 2" line from that point.

Update on Water Tower

Jay reported that he sees no problem with the lease for the property use on

Station Road with the State. State is working on the paperwork... Jay will keep Board posted on this.

CORRESPONDENCE FOR ACTION OR DISCUSSION

Letter from Joe Poquette – received 09.22.09

Letter received from Joe Poquette was read.. letter references changes in rental units and their wanting to keep the Water Department informed.

- 7661 US Route 2, 76 Quarry Road, 102 Quarry Road, 123 Quarry Road, 401 Quarry Road and 284 Quarry Road (1/3 shop) and, with the sale of 8069 US Route # 2 - this changes the ERUs to 5 1/3 units.

=103 Quarry Road vacancy since June 15, 2009

=rental of 102 Quarry Road as of 09/01/09

=208 Quarry Road is vacant and has been since September 2008

Jay O'Boyle made a motion to acknowledge the 5 1/3 units for Joe and Bev Poquette as of this meeting, September 28, 2009. This motion was seconded by Rob Cunningham... hearing no further discussion this action was approved.

Note: copies of said letter attached to the minutes of this meeting.

letter of acknowledgement will be sent by Chair Terry Schaefer

E.mail to Marie Kilbride from Paul Gillies

E.mail was reviewed and discussed.. re: adoption of an ordinance or policy about connections.

The recent packet .....

The Board discussed maybe it is time for the Board to review the current "Water Use Ordinance For The Town of North Hero, Vermont (as adopted by the North Hero Selectboard on November 03, 1997).

Note: Jeff will get copies and see that they are distributed to the Water Board.

New service connections

New service connections have been received for approval from Curtis and Horton.

Terry Schaefer will be asked to stop into the Town Clerk's Office and sign them.

CORRESPONDENCE FOR SHARING/INFORMATION

No correspondence for to share at this time.

## EXECUTIVE SESSION

An Executive Session not needed this evening.

## AGENDA BUILDING

- October 26, 2009..... Board Discussion/Action  
=WATER USE ORDINANCE FOR THE TOWN OF NORTH  
HERO, VERMONT... as adopted by the North Hero Selectboard  
on November 3, 1997.  
=Update on Water Tower lease.... Jay O'Boyle
- November 23, 2009... Board Discussion/Action  
=budget ... plans for monies to replace piping on Abnaki Road?

## ADJOURNMENT

Jay O'Boyle made a motion to adjourn this meeting at 7:55 P.M. This motion was seconded by Rob Cunningham.. hearing no further discussion.. this motion was carried 3-0.

Respectfully Submitted,

Jo-Ann Tier

C: Board - Robert/Jay/Rob/Larry/Terry  
Town Clerk  
Web Page

Notes: 09.29 invoice in question for Beaver Creek.. in the amount of \$450. represents the approval by Terry Schaefer to blast 30 feet past the end of the work done at Pelots Point.. this action will make it easier for a future connection.

09.29 Jeff wanted it noted that the added waterline projects with no drawings on file were all inspected by Terry Schaefer and/or another Board member per – Joe Poquette.