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**North Hero Water Board Meeting
Monday, August 25, 2008 at 6:30 P.M**

**In Attendance: Water Board: Jack Miller, Rob Cunningham, Terry Schaefer
Robert Rousseau and Larry Dupont
Board Clerk: Jo-Ann Tier
Water Board Operator: Jeff Gratton
Guest: Richard and Bonnie Paquette**

CALL MEETING TO ORDER

Meeting was called to order by Chair Terry Schaefer at
6:35 P.M.

RECOGNITION OF VISITORS AND PUBLIC COMMENT

No visitors wanted to be recognized at this time.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES FOR JULY 28, 2008

Larry Dupont made a motion that the minutes of July 28, 2008 be
accepted as read. This motion was seconded by Rob Cunningham...
hearing no further discussion.. this motion was carried 5-0.

ADJUSTMENT OF AGENDA

Board agreed that the discussion with Richard and Bonnie
Paquette would take place at this time.

It was noted that Richard and Bonnie Paquette have property on
South-end Road. When checking on hook-on fee the old policy was
in place.

Discussion...

Larry Dupont made a motion that the Board approve the request
of Richard and Bonnie Paquette to hook-on in accordance with the
old policy. This motion was seconded by Jack Miller .. hearing no
further discussion. this motion was carried 5-0.

Richard and Bonnie were thanked, by the Board, for taking the
time to come and discuss this with the Board.

REPORTS

Water Operator

Water System Report for August 25, 2008 was distributed.

Noted... water production for July 2008 = 3,856,056 million gallons
and August 1 to August 25 = 2,418,913.

Remainder of report was referenced through.....

Note: report attached to the minutes.

Discussion took place on the length of line it would take to extend water line
at the plant. ... the figure of 1000 feet was given by Terry.

Jeff expressed an interest to attend the NEWWA Annual Conference
on Tuesday, September 16, 2008 at the Sheraton Burlington Hotel
and Conference Center. It was noted by attending it would help in
his re-certification.

Conferences he would like to attend are:

Technical Session D – Disinfection

Technical Session F – Water Treatment

Discussion..

Rob Cunningham made a motion that Jeff attend this schedule conference
(\$160.00).. this motion was seconded by Larry Dupont... hearing no further
discussion this motion was carried 5-0.

Town Clerk

No report this evening.

BOARD DISCUSSION

Paquette service... South-end Road

Discussed under Adjustment of Agenda

Accounts to be consolidated... Rob Cunningham

Rob reported that he felt that the accounts were all in place at this time.

Jack shared that perhaps someone should look into how much money, to
date, has been taken in for water bills. He noted that some customers pay
for the full year at the first payment due.

Board agreed that Larry Dupont will look into how much money has
been received to date and report back to the Board for a decision on what
should be done.

Meeting with Selectboard

Robert Rousseau reported that due to only Jack Miller and himself being at the Selectboard meeting discussions were tabled.

Discussion took place on the white pick-up and the backhoe.

Following this discussion the following motion was put into place by Larry Dupont... a memo was to be sent to the Selectboard asking them to consider the following... that the Water Board take over the white pick-up truck and that the Town take over the backhoe.. this resulting with the Town relinquishing any maintenance on the truck and the Water Board relinquishing maintenance on the backhoe. And, in an emergency, either Board would have the availability of the truck and/or the backhoe. This motion was seconded by Rob Cunningham.. hearing no further discussion.. this motion was carried 5-0.

LAWN MOWER CONTRACTING.. JACK MILLER

Jack Miller shared the quote he received from Sharp Cut Property Services....:

Price per mowing and weed-whacking \$70.00

Price per mowing – only \$50.00

Discussion... Jeff continuing to do it using Town lawnmower

Larry Dupont made a motion for the Board to accept the quote from Sharp Cut Property Services to have them mow for the remainder of the year and that Jeff is to do the weed-whacking.

this motion was seconded by Rob Cunningham.. hearing no further discussion.. this motion was carried 5-0.

BOARD ACTION

Approval of Bills for Payment

Discussion.... invoice from Scandore for \$865.00

Larry Dupont made a motion that a letter be sent to Michael sharing with him that the delay in payment was caused by the Water Board not being clear who originally paid for the hook-on fee and the Town's Clerk's Office was unable to locate any paperwork at this time. Should it turn out that the original hook-on person received the \$865.00, we will be back in touch with you and ask for a refund from him. This motion was seconded by Rob Cunningham.. hearing no further discussion. this motion was carried 5-0.

Warrant in the amount of \$7,079.34 was signed by all Water Board Commissioners.

CORRESPONDENCE AND SHARING

No correspondence needed to be shared this evening.

EXECUTIVE SESSION... IF NEED BE

Robert Rousseau made a motion to recess this meeting and to go into Executive Session for a personnel matter. This was seconded by Rob Cunningham.. hearing no further discussion.. this motion was carried 5-0.

Rob Cunningham made a motion to come out of Executive Session and to reconvene the Water Board Meeting.. this was seconded by Larry Dupont .. hearing no further discussion this motion was carried 5-0.

Terry Schafer stated that two of the applicants interviewed for the part time water operator position would receive a letter stating that the Water Board is requesting that they phone Jeff Gratton, Water Board Operator, to set a time up with him whereby they can spend some time with him at the Water Plant.

AGENDA BUILDING

Next Water Board Meeting = September 22, 2008.
Board Discussion... ERU Monies.... Larry Dupont

INTERVIEWS for Part Time Operator 7:30 P.M.

This took place in Executive Session

ADJOURNMENT

Larry Dupont made a motion that this meeting be adjourned. This was seconded by Robert Rousseau... hearing no further discussion.. this motion was carried 5-0.

Respectfully Submitted,



Jo-Ann Tier
Board Clerk

C: Water Board Larry/Rob/Robert/Jack/Terry
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