

**ALTON WATER WORKS
67 FRANK C. GILMAN HIGHWAY
ALTON, NEW HAMPSHIRE
MINUTES OF JUNE 24, 2015
REGULAR MEETING**

PRESENT: Chairman Paul White
Vice Chairman Richard Glidden
Commissioner Stephen Miller
Superintendent William Curtin

It was stated to all in attendance prior to the meeting that the meeting would be taped for accuracy and erased as soon as the minutes were approved.

A. CALL TO ORDER: Motion was made by Chairman White to call the meeting to order at 9:30 am. Vice Chairman Glidden seconded the motion.

B. APPROVAL OF AGENDA: Vice Chairman Glidden made a motion to accept the Agenda as read, Commissioner Miller seconded the motion. Vote was taken, all were in agreement, and the Agenda was accepted.

C. APPROVAL OF MINUTES: Vice Chairman Glidden made a motion to accept the Minutes of the Regular Meeting of May 27, 2015. Commissioner Miller abstained. Motion was seconded by Chairman White. Vote was taken, all were in agreement. The Minutes of the Regular Meeting of May 27, 2015 were accepted as read.

D: PUBLIC INPUT: NONE

E. CORRESPONDENCE: Letter from ABCCC – Alton Bay Christian Conference Center sent a letter with an invoice requesting reimbursement of a service charge from the freeze up last winter. The motel and the dining hall had water so the main line could not have been frozen. The snake/jetter got stuck, and once it thawed it pushed the snake backwards. When the snake was removed it was measured and the snake had gone way past where the main line is proposed to be. We believe that their line froze due to lack of use since no one had been in the building full time. We do not feel that is was our responsibility.

F. SUPERINTENDENTS REPORT: Jones Field pump is running an average of 21.5 hours per day @ 245,100 gallons per day. We are pumping approximately the same as last year at this time. There was some discussion as to how much water is used per subscriber and how much is being pumped. We have such a variety of users, that to figure it accurately is not possible.

Church Street and School Street leak. First a valve has to be located at School and Route 140. We have been told that there are two valves, one is across the street and one is supposed to be a blow off and goes nowhere. Once found it can be assessed. The schedule at this time is the middle to late July. Some discussion was had concerning the size of the lines, the soils and the storm drains in that area. The only customers that will be out of water would be Pine Street and lower School Street which includes the School. Anyone affected will be notified. If a problem arises and the water out for an extended amount of time we will be able to back feed Pine Street.

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Superintendent Curtin will be on vacation July 5, thru July 12, 2015. Mr. Noyes will be doing the RPZ testing during that time.

G. OLD BUSINESS: Downing Drive July Bills. The March bills were abated and billing will now resume.

The chemical tank for Levey Park is in, ejector pumps are in and now the 8” saddles will be ordered from Water Industries.

Leak in the lake. The engineering plans have arrived. Copies need to be sent to DBU and DOT for review. Superintendent Curtin will meet with the DOT on site to finalize details. The project cannot be started until all parties have reviewed the plans, made any necessary changes and the plans finalized then sent to DES for review or changes.

The patch paving has been done except for 2 and those should be done tomorrow June 25, 2015.

Letter to Mil Foil Committee was drawn approving the area at Parker Marine that is to be treated on June 29, 2015, which needs to be signed by the Mil Foil Committee and by Kelly Troendle.

Past Due Notices. Final notices were hand delivered which produced a good response. Procedure was discussed for collections.

H. NEW BUSINESS: Mil Foil 6/29/15 – this was discussed above in Old Business. Commissioner Miller asked if there was a CIP Plan. Superintendent Curtin said we did not have one but we do have Capitol Improvement Accounts.

Discussion was had concerning the Jones Field Well Bond. Commissioner Miller mentioned that the interest rates are low now and asked if it may be a good idea to look into refinancing that loan with the town or have the town use their credit rating as a guarantor for a bond that the Alton Water Works takes out, and requesting additional funds to have on hand for the unexpected line repairs and to use to replace some of the trouble areas before they become a problem. Vice Chairman White agrees that it could be something to look into. Vice Chairman White questions whether the town would consider that as the Alton Water Works is run independently from the town. Commissioner Miller said that he got elected on a platform to get rid of the water commissioners and have the department taken over by the town. He contends that there are at least 475 votes that are considering it. He believes that there are enough people who want the water department to improve who would be willing to put up money to have the system taken over by the town so that those improvements could be made. By improving the system it is improving the infrastructure of the town. Vice Chairman White believes we will grow and that with changes within the water department, that improvements will be achieved.

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Chairman Glidden would like to find out what other towns in our area are charging for their services and compare them to ours.

I: NON-PUBLIC SESSION: NONE

J. ADJOURNMENT: Motion was made by Commissioner Miller to adjourn the meeting. Motion was seconded by Vice Chairman Glidden, vote was taken, and all were in agreement motion passed. Meeting was adjourned at 10:30 am.

Respectively submitted:
Penny Williams - CLERK

DATE SIGNED

PAUL WHITE - CHAIRMAN

RICHARD GLIDDEN - VICE CHAIRMAN

STEPHEN MILLER - COMMISSIONER

WILLIAM CURTIN - SUPERINTENDENT