

Board of Commissioners
Minutes
April 27, 2022

The Commission meeting convened at 10AM in person — at the North Conway Water Precinct 104 Sawmill Lane North Conway, NH. The following were present: Commissioner Santuccio, Commissioner Porter, Superintendent Jason Gagnon, Fire Chief Pat Preece, Commissioner Nelson attending virtually, and Notary Public Barbara Reilly.

Call the Meeting to Order

Meeting called to order by Commissioner Santuccio at 10:00AM.

Motion of Commissioner Porter and seconded by Commissioner Nelson to take the agenda out of order.

Motion carried by a 3-0-0 voice vote.

Minutes

Motion of Commissioner Porter and seconded by Commissioner Nelson to accept the Public Meeting Minutes from April 13, 2022.

Motion carried by 3-0-0 voice vote.

Fire Department

Membership:

37 Members

Scott Lees resigned from the department; he does not have the time to commit he is working for 2 ambulance services. I would like to thank him for his service to the department.

Personnel:

2 members on leave at this time

No members out on COVID at this time.

Training:

Department Training. The department training will be doing forestry fire training, cutting fire lines and pumping water.

Engine 1 Training: will be doing drafting from the fire ponds to ensure they work after the winter.

Rescue Training. Will be doing water rescue training using the raft and boat.

Department Activities:

Approved the site plan review for Viewpoint North Conway. The old Intervale Motel

Performing fire alarm plan review for the Fairfield Hotel.

Performing sprinkler plans review for the 5 unit condo's on Old Bartlett Road

Emergency Calls:

The fire department has responded to 58 calls for the month of April

The department has responded to 409 calls year to date for 2022

Equipment Issues:

Purchase for New Equipment:

North Conway Fire Fighter Association letter drive fund raiser is under way.

Need to sign contract for Pine State Elevator for service and inspection agreement. Not to exceed \$1,000.00.

Dean & Allyn Inc. for service contract and inspection. \$580.00 (2 Inspections on site)

Interstate Fire Protection Service Agreement: Hood System \$250.00 and fire extinguishers \$52.00 for a total \$302.00 per year.

Motion of Commissioner Porter and Seconded by Commissioner Nelson to authorize Chief Preece to sign the service agreements for Pine State Elevator, Dean & Allyn, Inc and Interstate Fire Protection.

Motion carried by a 3-0-0 voice vote.

New Business

Project Status

Well 2R

We are waiting on a pressure transducer. Tentative startup is first week of May.

Similar to other building projects, is a bronze plaque appropriate?

Sludge Dryer

No change in project status, although we have received most of our sludge testing results back from RMI. RMI's initial comment was that they found more PFAS, and of different types, than they're used to seeing in sludge. To my knowledge, we are the only WWTF working with RMI that accepts landfill leachate. I've asked if that has the potential to impact our ability to dispose of sludge with RMI and have not heard back yet.

After getting the test results back, I put together a couple of sheets to try and better understand 1) How PFAS comes into the WWTF and 2) how that relates to the PFAS in the sludge. From this, we can see that even though we get much less volume in landfill leachate than we do in regular sewerage, leachate still accounts for the strong majority of PFAS coming into the WWTF. We can also see that many of the PFAS compounds found in our sludge *only* come in through leachate.

Saco River Erosion

A meeting with prospective funding agencies is set up for Tuesday May 3.

WWTF Aeration Upgrades

No change.

Cranmore-Artist Falls Water Main

I met with Wright-Pierce last week to discuss the plan moving forward. We've chosen our preferred route and the next step is to prepare a draft plan for consideration by the property owners (Cranmore, Cranmore Hotel, Franchi) who will need to grant us the easements.

Country Road Sewer

No change.

Barnes Road Water Main

We have met with the contractor and anticipate construction beginning the second week of May.

North-South Road Water Main

We are still held up by NHDOT. Apparently there is a concern from NHDOT that including the watermain in the Rec Path right-of-way could potentially jeopardize federal funding in some way. Those of us close to the situation are having trouble understanding exactly what NHDOT is worried about and we hope to have a meeting early next week to discuss further.

Pause in Superintendent's Report

Oaths of Office

Tim Anderson took his Oath of Office and was sworn in for another term as Treasurer. Term to end in 2023.

Donald Ekberg took his Oath of Office and was sworn in for another term as Moderator. Term to end in 2023.

**Resumes Superintendent's Report **

Request for Credit of Buy-In Fees

I am still investigating this with legal and should have an answer soon.

Abatement Request – Account 1208

I have reviewed the sewer abatement request for Account #1208. Although the full amount asked for is not justified, a sewer abatement in the amount of \$1,161.07 is justified. The request is related water used due to a leaking water heater that flooded the basement but did not enter the sewer system. Precedent is that these types of abatement requests have been granted and therefore I recommend that this abatement request be approved.

Motion of Commissioner Nelson and seconded by Commissioner Porter to approve the abatement request for account 1208 in the amount of \$1,161.07.

Motion carried by a 3-0-0 voice vote.

Pine Hill Franchise Area

I am meeting with the Town Selectmen Tuesday night and will have a recap ready for Wednesday's meeting.

Signing of Checks

Motion of Commissioner Nelson and seconded by Commissioner Porter to ratify checks signed out of session:

- I. Payroll Checks dated 4/28/2022
- II. Accounts Payable Checks dated 4/28/2022

Motion carried by a 3-0-0 voice vote.

Adjourn

Having nothing further to come before this public meeting, **Motion of Commissioner Nelson and seconded by Commissioner Porter to adjourn this public meeting at 10:33AM.**
Motion carried by voice vote 3-0-0.

Respectfully,



Hannah Andersen
Recording Secretary