

Town of Oxford

S.B. CHURCH MEMOHIALTOWN HALL 4,86 OXFORD ROAD OXFORD, CONNECTICUT 06478

Minutes of August 11, 2014 Regular Meeting Oxford Town Hall

Call to Order

Chairman Fred D'Amico called the meeting to order at 7:15 P.M.

Present – Fred D'Amico, Larry Ellis, Bob Peck, Karl Borkowski

Scott Halstead, Maintenance Supervisor

Absent – Joe Zamoic

Review and Approval of Minutes

Under Report from Staff, it was noted that the letter to CL&P regarding the Perkins Road pump station was not drafted. Staff will draft the letter to CL&P regarding power issues. The matter will be discussed further under Report from Staff.

MOTION by Bob Peck to approve the regular minutes of 7/14/14. Second by Larry Ellis. Vote – All ayes. Motion carried.

Amendment to the Agenda

Under Other Business add discussion on setting a public hearing for a rate increase.

Audience of Citizens - None

Applications - None

Report from Staff

On 8/7/14 Scott Halstead met with Haynes Construction, who are looking to get a permit for the store foundation by mid-September. An application and plans have not been submitted for the Oxford Town Center proposed project.

The ZEO sent a letter (7/2414) and a copy site plans for Oxford Town Center. The letter requested a report and comments from on the project. A letter will be sent informing the ZEO of the status of the proposed project and inform her that there are no sewer lines within one mile of the site.

Letter from CL&P (7/31? 14) regarding the Perkins Road pump station. There was a site inspection and CL&P is monitoring the site. A report will be submitted for the next meeting.

Mr. Halstead stated that according to the DPUC, utility companies are allowed to be 8% below normal voltage of a line and to have 10 drops in voltage within a 12-month period. Mr. Halstead noted there have only been 4 drops in the past two months.

Discussion on this being not only a voltage issue, but a power matter as these instances have occurred during high heat and high power usage periods.

Also discussed was the fact that the pump station is at the end of the service line. Mr. Peck noted that last year, CL&P suggested that installing a transformer could alleviate the power problem. Mr. Halstead noted that CL&P suggested again installing a transformer on the ground to decrease the loss in power. Mr. Peck said that CL&P would be responsible for installing the transformer. He noted there is a court case where CL&P was held liable and had to pay monetary damages for power disturbances. Mr. Peck will research the matter.

Also discussed, was CL&P connecting power to the last 1,000 feet of Perkins Road. This way the pump station would not be at the end of the line.

Mr. Peck said that the Town Council should be made aware of the situation.

Review and Approval of Bills - None

Other Business

Discussion on setting a public hearing to increase the fees. Fees were last increases in 2012.

Seymour charges \$2,500 application fee plus a \$450. The Seymour WPCA said that Oxford may reach the 250,000 GPD with the new proposed projects going in on Oxford Road. The contract includes the high school, but does not include Woodside or Wyant roads. Presently, the sewer line is underutilized.

Scott Halstead will gather the fees of other CT towns that do not have sewer treatment facilities. Also the regulations will be reviewed.

MOTION by Karl Borkowski to table this matter until the next meeting. Second by Larry Ellis. Vote- All ayes. Motion carried.

Adjournment

MOTION by Larry Ellis to adjourn the meeting at 8 P.M. Second by Karl Borkowski. Vote – All ayes. Motion carried.

Filed subject to approval Respectfully submitted

Cyntha Peck Cynthia Peck Clerk, WPCA