

Town of Lincoln
Water Commission
96 Old River Road, Lincoln, RI
Minutes of June 8, 2022 Meeting

Present: Madame Chair Julie Labreche, Commissioners Louis Long, Edward Sliney, Edward Fox, Ken Booth, Lewis Prescott, Superintendent Anderson and Council.

Call to order: June 8, 2022 Meeting

Public Comment: No public comment

Motion to accept Consent Agenda: Motion by Commissioner Fox, Second by Commissioner Long.

All in Favor

Motion made by Commissioner Fox to move 11-a. Relief request for one resident at 31 Sprague Avenue up front, Second by Commissioner Sliney

All in favor

Commissioner Sliney: Were you home when this happened?

Applicant: I was at church

Commissioner Sliney: 58,000 gallons is a lot of water

Commissioner Booth: If you look at the billing history, this was from April 1st. It was documented, the fire department came. In past history if you deduct what has been used in the past from the usage because that is normal use and the rest would be from the break. 40,000 excess gallons. Historically if you bill at the lower rate it would be fair.

Superintendent Anderson: How was 58,000 gallons- How was that estimated?

Applicant: From the bill.

Commissioner Fox: Would a payment plan help you out?

Applicant: absolutely

Commissioner Sliney: So we will do a payment plan, and in the first tier.

Commissioner Booth: Make a motion to have the Superintendent recalculate based on average past consumption and weed out expected normal expected usage and bill in first tier rate with a payment plan **Second by Commissioner Fox**

All in favor

Motion to accept executive minutes from May 11th- Motion made by Commissioner Sliney second by Commissioner Long

All in favor

Superintendent Report of Daily Activity June 2022:

Superintendent Anderson: Continue to organize the format of the report. Previously estimated water loss associated with flushing, breaks, and fire events is under page three. Also, the Providence Connection pump is important so I have added total water pump for two other pump stations there, Old Louisquisset Pike pump station and Albion mill pump station, for informational purposes. Good to know information about how those stations are doing. The old Louisquisset pumps Twin River area. The Albion does Jenckes Hill and those areas. Water Rate study, created scope of work for that, it is being edited to be fine-tuned - that is complete, just have to finish the front end proposals. That will be advertised in The Journal, The Town website and possibly on The State purchasing website. The residual chlorine study that PARE is performing has an actual plan that they have to prepare for us. That is what they will be using for phase two of that project for emergency ejection points. Hydraulic model is calibrated, some pipe configurations that were questionable, 95 % complete. Albion tank site mitigation update with DEM, the actual mitigation will require a consultant to perform the required excavations. Have to call to get a cost, might have to go out to get a RFP. Quinville wellfields haven't been too much activity there, there will be a meeting for the scope of work. Smart link draft was

submitted, some revisions for the physical aspects. Haven't heard back from them yet. Requested details and photos of the equipment, for the commission to look at. All plans must be submitted through The Planning Board for further plans. Tank was last painted in 2008, and interior.

Commissioner Booth: They should pay for inspections, and be aware of this.

Superintendent Anderson: Yes, they know and are experienced with specific restrictions. Waiting to hear back from them. Made provisions because there was language in there about removing equipment. Water quality report is completed and presently coordinating with the company that does our billing, this year a significant amount of money for that. July billing significantly reduced cost and how this will come available. We can put it at the office, Town Hall, the Public Library and larger complexes. I anticipate this will go out the week of the 24th.

Motion to accept by Commissioner Long, second by Commissioner Sliney.

All in favor

Balance Sheet – Expenditure and Revenue Report – June 2022- Motion to accept by Commissioner Fox, second by Commissioner Long.

All in favor

Financial Report to Town Finance Director - June 2022- Motion to accept by Commissioner Fox, second by Commissioner Booth.

All in favor

Account Balance Report –June 2022

Motion to accept by Commissioner Long, second by Commissioner Fox.

All in favor

Direct Payments and Payables – June 2022- Motion to accept by Commissioner Long, second by Commissioner Sliney.

All in favor

Abatements: Regular Monthly Abatements June 2022- Motion to accept by Commissioner Sliney, second by Commissioner Fox

Unfinished Business

a. Finalized FY23 (2022-23) Budget Approval

Superintendent Anderson: Budget has been developed and updated based on discussion between Anna Nascimento and I. If there are any changes or edits that might be required.

Commissioner Fox: We only added \$400 on 110 heating fuel/ gas. I thought there was a line item for the gas?

Superintendent Anderson: That's just the way the item was put in there.

Commissioner Booth: Detail acct 270- that takes into account Providence current rate increase?

Superintendent Anderson: They were delaying that; this is the current rate

Commissioner Booth: Right, but if they release that in the middle of the year- it would be retroactive?

Superintendent Anderson: That was delayed for a year. I have correspondence.

Motion to accept finalized budget: by Commissioner Long, second by Commissioner Fox.

All in favor

Claims

a. The Trust – 3 Claims Filed by the Property Owners on Smith Street and Smithfield Avenue

b. The Trust - 1 Claim Filed by the Town of Lincoln: Veolia Invoice – Sewer Cleaning – Pending receipt of PO/Check verifying payment by Town

Superintendent Anderson: The only outstanding item is the Veolia invoice before it is sent from us to The Trust. Waiting for a record copy from the Town.

Anna Nascimento: We have one open; the Town and a resident.

Seek to Adjourn to Executive Session According to RIGL 42-46-5

(a) (1); discussion on Anchor Auto (14a)

Motion to Seek to Adjourn to Executive Session According to RIGL 42-46-5 by

Commissioner Booth, second by Commissioner Long.

Madame Chair Julie Labreche Roll call:

Commissioner Booth: Yes

Commissioner Fox: Yes

Commissioner Sliney: Yes

Commissioner Long: Yes

Motion to Seal Minutes of Executive Session According to RIGL 42-46-7(c)

Motion made by Commissioner Sliney. Second by Commissioner Long

All in favor

Motion to act on matters discussed in Executive Session Motion made by Commissioner

Fox. Second by Commissioner Long

All in favor

Motion to Adjourn by Commissioner Fox, second by Commissioner Sliney.

All in favor