



COHASSET SEWER COMMISSION

Tuesday, January 12, 2021

Meeting Minutes

Attendees:

William McGowan, Chairman

Wayne Sawchuk, Clerk

Lisa McGonigle

Brian Joyce

Rob Scott

Scott Papa

Dan Coughlin

Rod Hoffman

Meeting Open: 10:06am

Next Meeting: Tuesday, January 19, 2021 @ 10:00am - Budget/Capital discussion only.

Tuesday, January 26, 2021 @ 10:00am - Regular Sewer Meeting

General:

Select Board meeting tonight will discuss replacement for John Beck and the GHD Study. Sewer Commission will attend.

Easements:

Review of the postcard to go out to all Town owned Grinder Pump residences.

Sewer Connections:

Discussing how far to backcharge sewer users not paying for sewer use and/or fees.

The following 'Town Properties' should not be charged a grinder pump fee or sewer use.

- Sandy Beach Association - 353 Atlantic Ave
- Town of Cohasset Sailing Club - 94 Border St.
- Cohasset Lightkeepers Association - 15-19 Lighthouse Ln
- Cohasset Ball Field - 169 North Main St

137 Hull St. - Field visit to check sewer connection was inconclusive

51 Jerusalem Rd: Field visit to check sewer connection was inconclusive.

Tax lien for Title 5 sewer betterment (\$7,844) May still have a cesspool - which would be non-compliant and result in a huge fee.

FY22 Budget/Capital:

Biggest ticket item going forward to the next fiscal year is the Rotary Sludge Thickener. \$140,000 - \$150,000 (might not include everything required for installation)

Previous items already approved:



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Garage Doors - several attempts made to contact the vendor (Ivernezzi) but vendor is not responding.

Silencers for blowers - will be installed this Thursday, 1/13/21.

Grit screw - preliminary approval of \$25,000 for purchase (does not include install). Grit screw not working means operators need to clean them manually (not a problem to do this manually). Higher priority is the main blowers. One blower has a bad bearing. It may be necessary to replace both bearings and seals on all 3 blowers. WS motions to approve the \$20,000 to repair and fix the blowers, WM seconds. All in favor.

With the new membranes everything is working very well. Side one was cleaned in December. Side two will be cleaned in January.

Discussion on I/I during every rain storm which increases the flow dramatically;

Discussion on using flow meters (maybe 3 mobile ones that can be moved around) to find out where it's coming from. Maybe get a meter reading on the lines for a base line/

South main street is a common denominator so would be a good place to start.

GHD: A meeting to bring the groups together and talk about the format of the deliverable

The agenda item for the Select Board is that GHD meet with everyone individually initially and pull every group together to talk about the final deliverable.

Other Business:

Abatements

59 Jerusalem Road: Mr. Kennedy online to present his case for an abatement of \$446.97 - Postponed until January 26th, 2021. Mr. Kennedy will send the invoice and payment of the repairs.

Meeting Adjourned: 11:34am