

Southington Water Department
MINUTES OF THE INFRASTRUCTURE COMMITTEE SPECIAL MEETING

A special meeting of the Board of Water Commissioners, Infrastructure Committee was held on Wednesday, May 1, 2019 at 5:30 p.m. at the Department Offices, 605 West Queen Street, Southington, CT.

PRESENT: Commissioner Berkmoes, Commissioner Murphy, Commissioner Pocock, Superintendent Casarella and Assistant Superintendent Fiorillo were present.

1. **CALL TO ORDER:** The meeting was called to order by Commissioner Berkmoes at **5:37 p.m.**

2. **Well 2 Project**

Superintendent Casarella stated the blower in the contract specifications called for a direct drive motor while the current motor is belt driven. The direct drive motor would need ducting modification so Casarella decided to go with the belt driven motor. The belt driven is more expensive. The difference in price will be absorbed through the miscellaneous money built into the contract.

The current gas service for Well 2 doesn't meet the demand for the new generator that will be installed. Casarella got a quote from Eversource to upgrade the service for \$6,339. The money for the upgrade will also come from the miscellaneous account. W&C said Well 2 will be operational by the end of May so they can continue working on Well 2A.

3. **Infrastructure Projects**

Mill St. Tank Project

Superintendent Casarella stated that DPH- DWSRF Loan agreement was executed on April 26, 2019, DPH Site walk is scheduled and the Interim Funding Obligation (IFO) is the next step. The project is moving at a fast pace, 90% of trees have been removed, sheds were moved, temporary easement is in place and digging for the tank foundation has started.

West Main/South Main Water Main Installation

Superintendent Casarella said the start date for the project is Monday, May 6th. Notification were sent via letters, door hangers and the Towns Everbridge system will be used. There was a Pre-construction meeting, site pre-construction walk through and a

meeting with the owner of the lay down area. There was also a meeting with the Police Department to go over traffic control. Due to school routes going through the center of Plantsville it was decided to start the project on South Main St. instead Summer/West Main St. Casarella said DOT is requiring compaction testing every 25' on State Roads and the water main installation will be done at night for 300 ft. south of the intersection of West Main and South Main St.

4. Future Capital Projects

Superintendent Casarella said the installation of Iron and Manganese Plants, Reservoir 2 Dam Inspection, Treatment Plant Filters, Shuttle Meadow Road water main installation, pressure reducing valve (PRV) on Lanings Street, lead goosenecks services, West Queen Tanks maintenance, Automated Meter Infrastructure (AMI), and dredging Reservoir 3 were all brought up. The committee put together the projects by priority and will discuss with the other commissioner at the next Board Meeting.

5. Reservoir 2

Superintendent Casarella reviewed a letter form the DEEP concerning the Reservoir 2 Dam Inspection in 2016. The consulting firm Tata and Howard was hired to look into recommendations from DEEP and let the Board know of their findings.

6. Succession Planning

Superintendent Casarella briefly discuss the staffing situation with the committee with 2 employees being out on Workmen's Compensation

Commissioner Berkmoes made a motion to adjourn the meeting. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Murphy at **7:21 p.m.**



Attest: William M. Casarella, Superintendent