



**TOWN OF MILFORD
BOARD OF SEWER COMMISSIONERS
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MINUTES
December 11, 2018**

The Sewer Commissioners Meeting was called to order at **6:00 P.M.** in room #14 of the Milford Town Hall.

Present:

Richard Cenedella – Chairman
Rudy Lioce - Commissioner
Thomas Morelli – Commissioner
John Mainini-Superintendent
Steve Landry – Tata & Howard
James Hoyt – Tata & Howard
Kevin Rudden – Town Crier
Debra Cavaliere– Clerk

A motion was made to approve the bills and payroll by Mr. Morelli, seconded by Mr. Lioce and made unanimous by Mr. Cenedella.

A motion was made by Mr. Morelli to approve Hart Engineering's Pay Requisitions #5 and #6, seconded by Mr. Lioce and made unanimous by Mr. Cenedella.

A motion to approve the November 20, 2018 Meeting Minutes was made by Mr. Morelli, seconded by Mr. Lioce and made unanimous by Mr. Cenedella.

Mr. Morelli made a motion to have the next Sewer Commissioner's Meeting on January 22, 2019 in Room 14 at 6:00 P.M., seconded by Mr. Lioce and made unanimous by Mr. Cenedella.

Mr. Cenedella signed the FY2019 Drain Layer's Reminder Letters.

Mr. Cenedella stated that all Hart Engineering correspondence will be read and discussed at the next Board meeting.

Sasha Meyer and her husband Eric took the floor and asked the Board, what steps have been taken to prevent the over flow of the Main Street man hole since the last Board meeting.

Mr. Mainini stated that the man hole is being monitored by our road crew every day. Mr. Mainini also stated that after every rain storm the level goes up and at that point it will be checked more frequently. In addition the Plant believes the blockage was caused by grease.

Some of the steps the Board has taken: Is monitoring the depth of the flow at the Main Street man hole. Jetting out sewer lines. The Sewer Dept. has a Sump Pump removal program which alleviates water going into the sewer and redirects it to the catch basins. The Sewer Plant has already removed 132 sump pumps and as a result approximately 150,000 gpd of flow has been removed from the system. The Sump Pump program will continue.

Mr. Lioce stated that on the Town's Sewer bills, it is stated that anyone with a sump pump that drains into the sewer system, the town will disconnect the line and reconnect it to the storm drain at no cost to the home owner. This will also eliminate overflows.

Mr. Hoyt and Mr. Landry, Engineers from Tata & Howard, relayed to Sasha and her husband Eric from Bellagente Salon that they are addressing capacity and sewer backups that Milford Sewer Department has recently experienced.

Mr. Hoyt stated that some of the things he wants to address is to review the rules and regulations to reduce grease going into the system and the quality of extraneous flow (I&I) entering the system. He would like to conduct an inventory of all restaurants that have a grease trap and review their grease trap sizing and the frequency of maintenance. One of long term projects would be that the town install sewer flow meters throughout the entire system to collect flow data. Analyze metering data to estimate infiltration and inflow rates in the sewer system, identify basins with excessive I/I.

Sasha then asked the Board if they could draw up a letter for her insurance company stating that this problem with the overflow will not happen again. Mr. Lioce responded that they could not do this. There is no guarantee. The Board would have to consult with Town Counsel. Sasha e-mailed the Board a letter from her insurance company explaining what they need from her in order to cover her damages.

Mr. Cenedella stated that this was an accident.

In conclusion Mr. Mainini stated to Sasha that she would be informed if the Main Street man hole exceeds (2) feet of water. He will also inform all the businesses that were affected. Mr. Mainini further said that when the levels go above (3) feet, that could become a problem.

Sasha concluded that she will be satisfied with receiving a call and will attend next month's meeting to hear the studies that are being taken by Tata & Howard program.

Mr. Hoyt addressed the Board with a written notification of the dispute between Hart Engineering Corp. and Tata & Howard regarding delays to the sludge project beyond Hart Engineering Corp.'s control that have resulted in construction of the masonry for the new Sludge Handling Building during winter conditions. This written notification is required to protect Tata & Howard's right to file a claim in the event a mutual agreement between parties cannot be made.

At 7:30 P.M. Mr. Morelli made a motion to adjourn, seconded by Mr. Lioce and made unanimous by Mr. Cenedella.

Respectfully Submitted,

Debra Cavaliere
Clerk