



**TOWN OF MILFORD  
BOARD OF SEWER COMMISSIONERS  
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MINUTES  
November 17, 2015**

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  
Thomas Morelli - Commissioner  
Rudy Lioce-Commissioner  
John Mainini – Superintendent  
Jack O’Connell – Tata & Howard  
Robert and James Tusino- Milford Residents  
Kevin Rudden – Town Crier  
John Consigli – Administrative Assistant

The Bills and Payrolls were signed by the Board.

A motion to approve the October 20, 2015 Meeting Minutes was made by Mr. Morelli, seconded by Mr. Lioce, unanimous by Mr. Cenedella.

A motion was made by Mr. Morelli to have the next Sewer Commissioner’s Meeting on December 15, 2015 in Room #14 of the Town Hall at 6:00 P.M., seconded by Mr. Lioce and made unanimous by Mr. Cenedella.

A motion was made to approve Tata & Howard’s Contract Amendment #1, Sludge Handling Facility, Milford Wastewater Treatment Plant, seconded by Mr. Lioce and made unanimous by Mr. Cenedella. The Plans for the Project are about 90% complete. This Amendment is for additional services rendered by Tata & Howard and will not exceed \$59,200. for completion of plans, geotechnical engineering services and assistance with the bidding process.

The FY2016 Drain Layer Reminder letters were signed and mailed out to Licensed Drain Layers who have not responded to the initial letter to send in their paperwork and payment to renew their licenses for FY2016.

Robert Tusino approached the Board with additional correspondence which was not presented before, with regard to a FY2016 Sewer Use Denial for his property at 21 & 23 Cherry Street. Since Mr. Tusino supplied new documentation from the Water Company as to the reason the water use was high during the FY2016 billing usage time period, the Board will review the information from the Milford Water Company, and reconsider his FY2016 Abatement at next meeting.

A motion was made to approve a Special Permit/Site Plan Review for 66 School Street as it has no effect on Town Sewer by Mr. Morelli, seconded by Mr. Lioce and made unanimous by Mr. Cenedella. A letter will be sent to Milford Planning Board.

A motion was made to approve an Amended Site Plan for 235 East Main Street as it has septic and has no effect on Town Sewer by Mr. Morelli, seconded by Mr. Lioce and made unanimous by Mr. Cenedella. A letter will be sent to Milford Planning Board.

A motion was made to approve one FY2015 Sewer Use Abatement and send a letter to Town Accountant by Mr. Morelli, seconded by Mr. Lioce and made unanimous by Mr. Cenedella.

A motion was made to approve one FY2016 Sewer Use Abatement and send a letter to Town Accountant by Mr. Lioce, seconded by Mr. Morelli and made unanimous by Mr. Cenedella.

The Board reviewed two letters from Mr. Joseph Gardella contesting a refund that he received on a FY2015 Sewer Use Bill. On a motion made by Mr. Lioce, it was stated that the Board's review of Mr. Gardella's water history and calculation for the refund were correct, seconded by Mr. Morelli and made unanimous by Mr. Cenedella. A letter will be sent to Mr. Gardella explaining how his bill is calculated along with the return of his refund check.

Mr. Mainini stated that a homeowner at 23-25 Church Street has a broken sewer line from the house located where the line connects to the sewer main in the street. The Milford Water Company broke the sewer line three years ago near that location but it was repaired properly at the time. The homeowner is attempting to get the Town to pay for the repair when in fact it should be the homeowner's responsibility to do the new repair. Mr. Mainini has turned the matter over to Town Counsel Moody.

Mr. Morelli addressed the Board with reference to Field Pond and ground water entering the sewer system. He is questioning what our next step should be to determine whether the water is coming from houses or groundwater. Is there something we can purchase? The voluntary part of the program with sump pumps has appeared to have dried up. He suggested advertising in the newspaper. Mr. Mainini stated that we still have 7-8 sump pumps left to do on the list. We are still using the excavator and dump truck for various jobs, but we have been shorthanded having been plagued by injuries of Plant employees. At the Field Pond Pump station, we have had problems due to flushable wipes. We are

addressing the problem with the wipes, as they should not be flushed into the Sewer System.

Mr. O'Connell addressed the Mr. Morelli's issue by stating we have been working on the problem of unwanted water for the last 10 – 13 years. We do not have any new data, as most of the monitoring took place years ago. He suggested hiring a company to do new monitoring and use cameras in newly targeted areas of town. He also said we could target the area of the previous study to see if the problem still exists. He recommend doing a study that would place monitors for a twelve week period to make sure we capture significant rain events. It was also suggested to have a company do inspections of houses in certain areas of Town at a cost of \$75.per house.

It was stated that perhaps we could purchase a truck with a camera, monitors and equipment to do the work with our Plant employees. It could be as simple as opening up a manhole cover and seeing where the clear water is coming from. To meter the whole town, we are talking of a budgeted amount of \$100K to \$150K per year. We are going by old information and we are not having the rain fall to read the data at the present time. If we bought the vehicle, that would be the ideal way to do it. We could buy a truck, piecemeal, with only a few options at a time, and add to it as time goes on. As for the Field Pond area, the more water we take out, the better it will be. It was pointed out that the East Main Street Pump Station is also a problem. Tata & Howard will review different proposals and address the Board with options.

At 6:55, Mr. Morelli made a motion to adjourn, seconded by Mr. Lioce and made unanimous by Mr. Cenedella.

Respectfully Submitted,

John Consigli  
Administrative Assistant