

**Board of Sewer Commissioner's
Minutes of April 29, 2014
Bourne Community Building
Bourne, MA 02532**

TA Guerino

Peter Meier, Chairman
Linda Zuern, Vice Chairman
Don Ellis, Clerk
Earl Baldwin
Don Pickard

Documents

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Call meeting to order

By Chm. Meier at 7:25 pm.

Minutes of previous meetings

Zuern MOVED and SECONDED by Baldwin to approve minutes of 4/15/14 as amended.
VOTE 5-0.

Public Comment

None.

Public/Private Partnership discussion (Planning Board invited)

Pickard said with all work and efforts of the WAC and PB and Sewer Department, it is important the Wastewater Advisory Committee (WAC) knows where the board stands and which way they want to go.

Ms. Riggs explained there is a developer who is interested in partnering with the town. There was a workshop which looked at various ways a public/private partnership can be developed. There are three options for the town: 1) all municipal; 2) private; or 3) public/private partnership. With private/public partnerships, a lot of questions would need to be answered. She would recommend the town contract with someone who can work with the town.

Ms. Riggs said she and Mr. Ewell met with the developer about 9 months ago and is ready to go with some part of his plan being a treatment facility. Details are unknown. There are five different configurations of responsibility which needs to be worked out with the developer and

the town. If we are at the stage where someone is interested, we need a staff person be working with the developer.

TA Guerino said if this proposed project went forward, we would have a pre-development team of what the town can and cannot do. Nothing can be done without coming before the Selectmen and the vote of the residents of the town. This would have to be in conformance with any zoning bylaws as well as all regulatory groups within the municipal structure including DEP.

Mr. Farrell said without knowing what is being developed, we cannot begin to figure what the gallon issue is. The private entity will have a lot of work to do. Bourne is in an excellent position for public/private partnership.

TA Guerino suggested holding on any further discussion until we know the perimeters of the proposal is.

Meier said public/private is the best way to go.

Mr. Farrell suggested that in the future, if somebody comes before the board with a plan and want to reserve "x" number of gallons in a permit, the reserve has a value to it.

Mr. Mulvey briefly discussed construction costs including engineering costs, design costs, permitting fees, and legal fees which need to be factored in.

Mr. Farrell said no one wants to see the town absorb the entire costs.

Ms. Riggs said the developer's presentation will be given at the 5/22/14 Planning Board meeting.

Zuern said recycled water could be something to look into.

TA Guerino said the town must consider preserving the capacity it has with the Wareham plant.

Mr. Farrell recommends the Selectmen appoint a Planning Board member as a representative to the WAC for open dialogue to continue. TA Guerino said this will be put on a future agenda.

Adjourn

Pickard MOVED and SECONDED by Zuern to adjourn. Meeting adjourned at 8:16 pm.
Unanimous vote.

Respectfully submitted,
Lisa Groezinger