

**Sewer Commissioners Meeting
Minutes of Tuesday, September 27, 2016
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Sewer Commissioners

Peter Meier, Chairman
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George Slade

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Meeting Called to Order

Chm. Meier called the meeting to order at 6:31 pm.

1) Public Comment

None requested

2) Approval of Minutes: 5-26-15, 10-13-15, 7-26-16, 8-9-16, 8-23-16

Voted Michael Blanton moved and seconded by Stephen Mealy to approve the May 26, 2015 minutes. George Slade abstained. Vote 4-1-0.

Voted Michael Blanton moved and seconded by Stephen Mealy to approve the October 13, 2015 minutes. George Slade abstained. Vote 4-1-0.

Voted Michael Blanton moved and seconded by Stephen Mealy to approve the July 26, 2016 minutes. Vote 5-0.

Voted Michael Blanton moved and seconded by Stephen Mealy to approve the August 9, 2016 minutes. Vote 5-0.

Voted Michael Blanton moved and seconded by Stephen Mealy to approve the August 23, 2016 minutes. Vote 5-0.

3) Wastewater Advisory Committee Report

Wes Ewell said the project remains on schedule. Weston & Sampson has advised me they have a draft of the wastewater disposal permit application. Mass Works grant administrators are reviewing our grant request. They say they will have a decision on who gets the grants for this year early in November. The EDA Grant application is ready to go in, waiting for a letter of support from Cape Cod Commission. Been meeting with the police station planning committee. We have agreed on a plan that works well for both projects. It is designed in such a way that if one project should proceed ahead of the other it can still be well coordinated. Ideally we would break ground on both projects in the spring and work them both together, but that is not necessary, to do them together would be a good cost savings. On the regional plan the Buzzards Bay Coalition's consultants are about to start work on the needs analysis, which will determine how much capacity would be needed to sewer all of Buzzards Bay.

Peter Meier wanted to iterate these people have fixed income, and hope to keep it feasible for them. Wes Ewell stated this project is probably 15 to 20 years away.

4) Update on former Byron Property Hotel Plans Progress

Ryan Correria updated the Committee on the project. Planning on going in front of the Planning Design and Review Committee in November, and go in front of the Planning Board in November. Our plan is to start construction in the Spring. Peter Meier said there was talk about trying to reserve future allocations for phases 2 and 3. Mr. Correria said we do want to do phases 2 and 3 to make it a complete project. We would come back with a full set of plans to show the Board. Mr. Meier said we don't have 2 and 3 to offer you right now. Mr. Correria said for phases 2 and 3 we were hoping to work with the Board and if the project does go through for the extra sewer it would give the potential for us to do phases 2 and 3. Michael Blanton questioned with regard to phases 2 and 3 do you have any kind of projection for what you might be looking at if the allocations were available and what the potential timeline might be for the build-out for those. Mr. Correria said if he had the sewer they would do phase 1, 2, and 3 altogether. That is why I want to bring the whole plan to the Board and show the different phases so when the sewer is there we are ready. Michael Blanton questioned is it too early to estimate the amount of gallonage you might need? Ryan's lawyer stated around 35,000 gallons a day; phase 1 we had 27,000, 12,000 gallons a day for the hotel, and will get back to you on the restaurant and conference center and residential. We want to come in front of the Planning Board in November with the build-out for the hotel, parking, drainage, sewer, landscaping and conceptually show any mix used residential, restaurant, and conference center.

Tom Guerino spoke about when Mr. Gendron was in front of the Sewer Commissioners and the Sewer Commissioners didn't have any allocations to give. I believe the Board indicated if this project didn't move forward they were first in the queue to move forward with their allocations.

Ryan said so they will have to wait and see what you have for reserve. Keystone based on Title 5 is going to be giving back sewer. Since we have been paying into the sewer this whole time, when it's available, and if there is no other developers coming forward, I'm under the assumption we would be first in line because we have been paying the sewer bills and we tied into sewer, is that not the case?

Tom Guerino said the properties that have paid betterments have first up to allocation that may be available. The Byron property, past and current owner, have paid their betterments, but you have also received allocations. Because the betterments have been paid doesn't mean you get all the allocations requested. Mr. Guerino spoke about the other businesses that are requesting allocations. Just because you have paid betterments and hookups doesn't mean you get all the allocation you want. Keystone may be able to turn back reserve. We would have to get that approved by DEP. The town will have to petition DEP for that, that won't come directly from Keystone. Michael Blanton questioned if there is a way for us to have communication with Keystone to find out what their status is? Tom Guerino will contact Keystone.

George Slade questioned if Keystone is required to do that if they are underutilizing their original allotment? Tom Guerino said it's not a Keystone driven issue it is a town driven issue. We have to set aside a certain amount of allocations per DEP standards. If after a period of time we can show to DEP that that particular flow isn't needed we can ask for some of that flow back. The developer doesn't own the allocation the town of Bourne through its Sewer Commissioners owns the allocations. The Board of Sewer Commissioner can direct the Town Administrator to petition DEP to see what we can get.

5) Future Agenda Items

- a. Update on progress of Main Street reserve allocation**
- b. Sewer Regulation review**
- c. Reserve Capacity guideline progress**

Stephen Mealy said he got a name on a contact from Andrew Gottlieb from the Cape Cod Water Protection Collaborative. I have a women's name, she is the Director of the organization. I resent that and will follow up. Will also reach out to our Sewer Advisory Committee at their next meeting and discuss what we are trying to do and what we are finding out. Stephen Mealy updated the viewers on what and why this was done. He stated because what the Board has been faced with in making decisions on at the allocation of limited resource, sewer capacity in the town, we felt it would be better to have some type of policy available so if another situation comes up we would have some means of dealing with the requests that come before the Board, regarding providing sewerage capacity with a limited amount available.

Peter Meier said he wants to bring in Mr. Michienzi at our next meeting to give us an update. Mr. Meier also spoke about the Sewer Regulations review; should we look at them at a workshop to see if we need to change them. Tom Guerino suggested bringing in George Tribou and Fran Yanuskiewicz who has been our consultant.

6) Next Meeting Date 10-25-16

7) Adjourn

Voted Michael Blanton moved and seconded by Stephen Mealy to adjourn at 6:54 P.M.
Vote 5-0.

Respectfully submitted – Carole Ellis, secretary.