

TOWN OF BROOKFIELD
Water Department
MEETING MINUTES
April 13, 2011

Posted Meeting: The meeting of the Brookfield Water Department was called to order at 6:30 p.m. in the office of the Water Department.

In Attendance: Robert Barnes, Joseph Murray and Chairman Roger Charpentier Jr. Superintendent; Bruce Clarke.

Minutes taken by Administrative Clerk; Holly Chisholm

Minutes

Commissioners reviewed and voted to accept the minutes from March 9, 2011. Mr. Barnes moved; Mr. Charpentier seconded; so voted.

Warrant

Commissioners voted to approve the billing warrant for April 10, 2011. Mr. Murray moved; Mr. Barnes seconded; so voted.

Water Superintendent

After reviewing the prior minutes and discussing with the board Mr. O'Connel's presentation, Mr. Murray stated that he is in agreement with the Commissioner's decision to not go forward with any changes regarding the Superintendent.

Abatement

Mrs. Clancy stopped by the Water Department on Monday to make a payment in full for her account and to seek abatement. She stated that she feels her water usage is high due to a running toilet in her home. Holly stated that she would bring this to the Commissioner's attention. After full review of this account it was noted that the water usage is not excessive from previous cycles. Mr. Murray entertained a motion to accept payment in the full amount for this account, Mr. Charpentier Jr. seconded; so voted.

Water Commitment/Spring 2011

Commissioner's signed the water commitment for the spring of fy2011 in the amount of \$44,939.60.

Abatement

Commissioner's signed abated 2-7.

Account #030095	\$25.00	Account #031410	\$50.00	Account #031430	\$131.00
Account #031385	\$25.00	Account #031420	\$50.00	Account #020470	\$50.00

Well Elevation Monitor

Bruce suggested that we install a chart recorder to monitor a draw down in well 02G. This information would provide us with water draw down elevations and enable us to better understand when the well is in need of cleaning.

Mobile Home Parks

Mr. Charpentier and Bruce Clarke recently attended a meeting of the BOS regarding the town's assistance with the mobile home parks water/septic problems. It was suggested to both parks at this meeting that they could apply for funds to help expand the water system. It was also noted that Nanatomqua would have a more reasonable rate due to their location being adjacent to Water Department property located on Mill St. It was suggested that Nanatomqua bring this topic to their board members and return to the Water Department for further information. Neither mobile home park has responded to date.

Manganese

The EPA is generating new regulations on manganese. These new regulations are expected to be in place within 5 years. Manganese in our water is a secondary contaminant, which means the affects are aesthetic rather than health based. We do have a concerning amount of manganese in our wells and with new regulations may lead to some type of filtration.

Work Place Safety

Bruce and Donald will attend a safety class primarily involving trench and confined spaces on Tuesday, April 19th.

Meter Change Out

Notices have been sent out to the first 100 customers to change out the meters.

Posted Meeting

Holly will post the next meeting for May 11, 2011.

Meeting adjourned at 7:30 p.m. Mr. Barnes moved; Mr. Murray seconded; so voted.