

**MFN Regional Wastewater Meeting
October 1, 2019**

MEETING MINUTES

COMMISSIONERS PRESENT: Mansfield: Michael Trowbridge, MFN Secretary
Mansfield: Jess Aptowitz
Mansfield: Matthew Teixeira
Norton: Mike Yunits, MFN Chairman
Foxboro: Chris Gallagher, MFN Vice Chairman
Foxboro: Richard Pacella

EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR: Lee Azinheira

COMMISSIONERS ABSENT: Norton: Diane McElligott

GUESTS PRESENT: John Stanbrook, MFN Treasurer
Chris Rositer, MFN
David Young, CDM Smith
Renee Gauthier, Secretary

- 1) Approval of Meeting Minutes (8-13-19)
Discussion:

Motion: To approve Meeting Minutes of 8-13-19.
(Trowbridge/Aptowitz); all in favor; unanimous.

- 2) Update of Construction Projects
 - a) Contract No.1 - WPCF Upgrade and Expansion Project
Discussion: Lee provided information in packet for meeting. Lee said progress documents have been provided and contractor is finishing the punch list. The warrant payment reflects the money we were holding for the switch gear and other items the contractor has taken care of. Dave said that the Norton Building Inspector signed off on the work completed. The only remaining item of significance is an unacceptable vibration on VOC Pump No. 2, which is being addressed with the vendor.

3) Approval of Bills

Discussion:

Motion: To approve Capital Expense Warrant 20-05 in the amount of \$103,994.58. (Trowbridge/Aptowitz); all in favor; unanimous.

Discussion:

Motion: To approve Prior Year Expense Warrant 19-43 in the amount of \$1,616.65. (Trowbridge/Aptowitz); all in favor; unanimous.

Discussion:

Motion: To approve Expense Warrant 20-04 in the amount of \$561,837.48. (Trowbridge/Aptowitz); all in favor; unanimous.

Discussion:

Motion: To approve Expense Warrant 20-06 in the amount of \$5360.61. (Trowbridge/Aptowitz); all in favor; unanimous.

4) Community Updates

a) Mansfield

Nothing new.

b) Foxborough

Chris said the old fire house and funeral home on the common have been transferred to Doug King and he is proposing a brewery and 19 apartment units that will be on Town sewer.

c) Norton

Mike Yunits said the contractor has had some unanticipated issues with the ongoing sewer project. Mike Trowbridge inquired what type of issues and Mike explained they had run into large boulders. Dave Young inquired if the Mass Highway permit stipulated the work to be done during the day or night. Mike Yunits said both are allowed to expedite the project, however not during concerts.

5) Update Regarding Meeting with Foxboro

Discussion: Jess inquired about why the meeting was not posted. He said this was a subcommittee meeting and it should have been posted. He stated he was very disappointed and hopes this will not happen again. Mike Trowbridge clarified that the meeting was discussed at the August MFN meeting, so members were aware that it would be taking place

for informational purposes. Lee said he was away prior to the meeting but assured Jess that no votes were taken at the meeting, that is was strictly informational. Mike Yunits said they discussed various options and will have to come back with more information. Lee explained that if the Foxboro Business Committee chooses to use Foxboro flow, that would be up to Foxboro and it would have nothing to do with the MFN, it would not need MFN approval. Jess stated that he has no interest in the MFN building a plant for them. Mike Trowbridge said he made it clear that he had no interest in a collaborative unless it is significantly financially beneficial to the MFN. Rich Pacella said he did not attend the meeting, however in his experience, he doubted this would come to anything in the near future. Jess said he feels MFN stands for Mansfield, Foxboro, Norton, and anything proposed needs to benefit all three (3) communities. Chris said they discussed options, but no commitments were made for anything. He said they need to come up with actual flows needed. Lee said that if MFN did decide to take this on, it would most likely have to be set up as two (2) different groups. He stated that the existing plant that services Patriot Place is a private operation right now. He said he doesn't feel that MFN has the staff to take on additional work.

6) Executive Director's Report

Lee discussed generator issues; He said our insurer paid \$8,847.47 less the deductible and the MFN Treasurer has deposited check.

7) Any Items Not Anticipated 48 Hours Prior To This Meeting

John Stanbrook explained that the bond documents he brought to the meeting need to be signed and sent back to the Clean Water Trust by Wednesday. He said they have waived the loan origination fee and the interest rate MFN will be charged is 2.2%.

8) Future Agenda Items –

9) Next Meeting – November 12th, 2019, 6PM

Motion: To adjourn at 6:23 PM.
(Trowbridge/Gallagher); all in favor; unanimous.

Respectfully submitted,
Michael Trowbridge



Signature of District Secretary

11-12-19

Date of Acceptance