

**MFN Regional Wastewater Meeting
March 7, 2023**

**MEETING MINUTES
(VIRTUAL MEETING – GOTOWEBINAR)**

COMMISSIONERS

PRESENT:

Mansfield: Michael Trowbridge
Mansfield: Jess Aptowitz, MFN Secretary
Norton: Mike Yunits, MFN Chairman
Norton: Diane McElligott
Foxboro: Chris Gallagher, MFN Vice Chairman
Foxboro: Richard Pacella

EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR: Lee Azinheira

COMMISSIONERS ABSENT: Mansfield: Matthew Teixeira

GUESTS PRESENT:

Chris Rositer, MFN
Joe Cove, MFN Counsel
Matthew Violette, MFN Treasurer
Josh Reinke, DPW Director
Renee Gauthier, Secretary

1) Approval of Meeting Minutes (1-31-23)

Discussion:

Motion: To approve Meeting Minutes of 1-31-23.
(Trowbridge/Pacella); all in favor; unanimous.

Roll Call Vote:

Trowbridge – Yes
Aptowitz - Yes
Yunits – Yes
McElligott - Yes
Gallagher - Yes
Pacella - Yes

2) Approval of Bills

Discussion - Warrant 23-16:

Motion: To approve Expense Warrant 23-16 in the amount of \$58,144.04 and to authorize the Executive Director to be the only signature required for the warrant. (Trowbridge/Aptowitz); all in favor; unanimous.

Roll Call Vote:

Trowbridge – Yes

Aptowitz - Yes

Yunits – Yes

McElligott - Yes

Gallagher - Yes

Pacella - Yes

3) Community Updates

a) Mansfield

Nothing new.

b) Foxborough

Chris Gallagher stated that the Sharon Gallery project is moving forward. Sewer capacity will be purchased from Foxboro, approximately 30,000 gpd, which will be sent through Cannon Forge, down Morse Street to Mansfield and onto plant. Chris Gallagher let Josh Reinke, Mansfield DPW Director know that he would be in contact to discuss specifics of increased in sewer flow into Mansfield. He announced that the Town of Foxboro had been awarded \$400,000 to mainly to study sewer on Route 1; Foxboro will be looking at utilizing the Kraft sewer treatment plant, but that they will also be doing an analysis to possibly move some sewer flow down to the MFN plant. Mike Yunits inquired if Foxboro had received the funds from EPA; Chris Gallagher said yes, the funding was provided by the EPA. Mike Yunits stated that Norton had received some funding from the EPA for water treatment, but that they would not cover engineering costs unless they went out to bid. Chris stated they would be using the procurement process for the project.

c) Norton

Nothing new.

4) NPDES – Status Update

Discussion: Chris Rositer stated the Plant received the final version of permit and that it was mostly unchanged. He explained that the PFAS first reporting period isn't until April. Mike Yunits inquired if that was handled at the plant, anything on local level. Chris said yes,

the communities will need to continue with their I & I, mapping system. Lee inquired if Josh Reinke, Mansfield DPW Director had received his yet. Chris Gallagher said Foxboro had received it, it went through water department.

5) Sewer Use Regs – Status Update

Discussion: Lee stated that the first revision to the Sewer Use Regulations was to change the existing regulation from the Town of Mansfield to MFN as well as a few other changes. Now they will be looking at each of the MFN Community Sewer Use Regulations to see how everything connects together. The MFN Sewer Use Regulations will now only deal with the sewer interceptor. He stated that they should have something within a month or two (2) to present to the Commission.

6) Executive Director Report

Discussion: Lee reminded the Commission that unless the Governor extends remote meetings, MFN meetings will have to meet in person in April and as a precaution, he would reserve a room. Lee stated the only other update was that he included a copy of his updated insurance certificate.

7) Cyber Protection Insurance – Executive Session

Motion: I Move That the Commission enter executive session under the terms of Massachusetts General laws chapter 30 A section 21 (a) (4) to discuss the deployment of security devices and strategies with respect thereto. To adjourn the regular MFN Meeting Session and not return; To move the meeting into Executive Session at 6:14PM and not to return to open meeting. (Trowbridge/Aptowitz); all in favor; unanimous

Roll Call Vote:

Yunits – Yes

McElligott - Yes

Trowbridge – Yes

Aptowitz – Yes

Pacella – Yes

Gallagher – Yes

8) Next Meeting – April 4th, 6PM

Discussion:

Respectfully submitted,
Jess Aptowitz



Signature of District Secretary

4/4/23

Date of Acceptance