

Minutes of the Penacook/Boscawen Water Precinct

Location of Meeting: 9 Woodbury Lane
Boscawen, N.H. 03303

Present at Meeting: Nathan Young, Commissioner Chair
Bill Murphy, Commissioner
Frank Dineen, Commissioner
Dave Caron, Public
Cynthia Caron, Public

The regular meeting of the Penacook/Boscawen Water Precinct was called to order at 9 Woodbury Lane, Boscawen, N.H. on August 31, 2022, at 5:33 p.m. by Commissioner Nathan Young, Chair.

Financial Update:

Commissioners signed manifest and checks.

Approval of minutes from last meeting:

Commissioner Bill Murphy made a motion to approve the Regular Meeting minutes of August 10, 2022. Seconded by Commissioner Frank Dineen. Passed Unanimously.

New Business:

1. Leak Detection Starts August 15th (60 days): Commissioner Nathan Young reported that it looks like the leak detection started around August 15th and it looks like the Commissioners should have some sort of answer within 60 days. There was an email from the State which stated that the Precincts water loss was too high, and Dan Wojcik, of Pennichuck, replied to the State email indicating that the Precinct is aware and that a leak detection has already been started. It should be close to 16 and it was close to 30. Some of the leaks found within the last year should hopefully help that number. The survey will definitely be good to do and hopefully find some more.
2. 105 High Street Request: Commissioner Frank Dineen reported that he went and spoke with the customer and what happened was explained to him and where Danny had dug. The customer is adamant about not paying the bill because it is on the Precincts street side, as he was told by a Pennichuck worker. Commissioner Nathan Young reported that the Commissioners received an email from Dan

Wojcik, of Pennichuck, which stated that the customer should have never been billed. Commissioner Bill Murphy reported that he spoke with Dan Wojcik over the phone and that all the Commissioners agree that it should not have been on the customer's expense. **Commissioner Bill Murphy made a motion to abate the billed amount for the leak repair at 105 High Street. Seconded by Commissioner Frank Dineen. Passed Unanimously.**

3. Jarado Way Water Main Break: Commissioner Bill Murphy reported that it is behind KSD and that a temporary water line was put in to provide water down back to the trust shop and another garage. Their plan is to rerun a new line away from the bank end and refeed the private hydrant, most likely with a new one. Commissioner Bill Murphy further explained the path that the line runs from the street. Further, Commissioner Bill Murphy explained that the Precinct can probably get some kind of estimate/calculation, as far a water loss, from Dan Wojcik of Pennichuck. The question is does the Precinct bill the owner for the water loss. Commissioner Nathan Young believes at the very least a conversation should take place about a master meter placed on their line. Commissioner Bill Murphy noted that it would be an expensive meter to place. Commissioner Nathan Young suggested getting an estimate from Dan Wojcik with an estimated total of water loss and how much is owed from the loss. Further, the customer will be advised that the Precinct will pay for the loss, however, they are requesting that a master meter be placed on their system in case of any future problems. Commissioner Bill Murphy will request the estimate from Dan Wojcik.

5:40 p.m. Cynthia and Dave Caron arrived at the meeting.

4. Dave Caron Billing North Main Street: Dave Caron presented the Commissioners with a run-down of the bill and noted that he was unable to obtain good copies of the Prescott paperwork. Commissioner Nathan Young took a picture of the Prescott bill. Dave Caron explained that Henniker Directional Drilling \$6,600, Tom Berkley \$13,500, Prescott parts \$2,400, and Youngs paving \$900 for the road. Grand total split in half and there is some money in escrow. Dave Caron also noted \$92.32 discretionary as he had to obtain service boxes because when it was being back filled it was hit and bent over and it appears on the Prescott bill. Commissioner Bill Murphy requested that the Precinct keep the information presented as they still need to calculate the return to service. Additionally, Dave Caron reported that the paving on his side will be done by Frank Merrill and at the same time he will have the second coat on the road done at his expense. It was noted that it came under the budgeted amount of \$26,000. Commissioner Nathan Young will type up an invoice and email it to Dave Caron. If everything on the invoice looks good the invoice will be given to the Precinct bookkeeper.

5:40 p.m. Cynthia and Dave Caron departed the meeting.

5. Elm Street Possible 5 Lots: Commissioner Bill Murphy reported that this is a potential and explained that there is a field out on Elm Street to the last hydrant. They want to subdivide off the field into potentially 5 lots. They do not know yet how many they are going to do, and it is within Precinct boundaries and the Precinct can service the lots, but the builder would need to extend the water line. Further, Commissioner Bill Murphy noted that he sent a letter to the survey person saying that the Precinct can service the build, noting that the property is located in Concord.
6. 145 King Steet Possible 12 Units: Commissioner Bill Murphy reported that 12 units are being planned, either one building with 12 units, or he is going to redo the existing house and the barn into some units and then add as many as needed to total 12 units. It is only a potential at this point, but the Precinct can furnish water.
7. 10 Jackson Street: Commissioner Bill Murphy noted that it should have the meter in on Friday. Further, Commissioner Bill Murphy, explaining that the customers original idea was to run the original water line from the neighboring house which they own. The customer is finally to the stage where he is going to get a meter. The customer contact Pennichuck who was unaware of the plan. The customer reported that he spoke to the plumber, who was at the location, and the plumber indicated that he was aware of what to do to get it ready for the meter. The Commissioners then received an email from the customer and Commissioner Bill Murphy emailed the customer back and explained the customer is responsible for the meter horn and the backflow preventor. Further, Commissioner Bill Murphy called the plumber who indicated everything will be ready Friday for the meter installation.
8. Eliminating Hydrant on Bluebird/Steenbeks's: Commissioner Bill Murphy reported that Pennichuck did a flow test on the Hydrant and actually it flows well, but it does not have any pressure behind it which is the problem. Commissioner Bill Murphy called the Fire Chief and discussed the hydrant. The Fire Chief explained that they cannot hook on to a hydrant which does not have sufficient pressure because something will be broken. Therefore, it is fine to get rid of the hydrant and it will now be between Gelinas and Steenbek to work out. Commissioner Nathan Young noted that the Precinct should recover the hydrant as it is a 2005 as it has excellent value. Commissioner Frank Dineen noted that a blowoff will be needed. Commissioner Nathan Young indicated that the blowoff just needs to create significant flow for flushing purposes. Commissioner Nathan Young questioned if there is a timeframe planned for the project and Commissioner Bill Murphy does not know a definite date but suspects it will be soon.
9. Booster Station:
 - a. Booster Pump: Commissioner Nathan Young reported that the Precinct received an email from Dan Wojcik, of Pennichuck, and a booster pump

has been taken out and sent for evaluation for a seal which needs to be rebuilt. A rebuild for a seal will be cheaper than purchasing a new pump.

- b. Brush Cut: Commissioner Bill Murphy reported the brush around the booster station is becoming unmanageable. Commissioner Nathan Young reported that he has a brush cutter which he will use to cut down the brush. Commissioner Bill Murphy noted that there is also a weed trimmer owned by the Precinct. Commissioner Frank Dineen noted that he is available to clear the brush. It was noted that the area is small and there is no way to get something big on the property for clearing. Commissioner Nathan Young and Commissioner Frank Dineen will coordinate and do the brush clearing sometime by the end of the week.

10. Hydrant List: Commissioner Frank Dineen questioned if the updated hydrant list was completed or not. It was noted that the updated list has not yet been finished. A discussion took place regarding various hydrants, the excel hydrant list, and the hydrant flushing pattern. Commissioner Bill Murphy noted there are a lot of hydrants which need mowing around. Commissioner Frank Dineen noted that the hydrant numbers need to be redone.

11. Wells:

- a. Blended Wells: Commissioner Nathan Young noted that an email from Dan Wojcik, of Pennichuck, explained that all three wells have been running since the major leak. It was noted that the bad well was designed to run with the other two and it dilutes it enough so that the manganese levels are fine, but they are keeping a close eye on it.
- b. Barrie Miller: Commissioner Nathan Young also noted that the email from Dan Wojcik, of Pennichuck discussed work by Barrie Miller being done. The Commissioners have to look into this a bit more for the next meeting to see if they can find out what the schedule is to have the wells cleaned and make sure it is not the one that the landing needs to be built up.

12. Generator Grant: Commissioner Nathan Young reported that he never heard back from the State, and he will give them a week and try one more time. Further, Commissioner Nathan Young noted that it may not happen due to it not being a complete generator replacement. Commissioner Bill Murphy noted that, at this point, where the Precinct could get a grant for a new generator, even though it is not 100% needed perhaps it should be looked into. Commissioner Nathan Young will reach out to Mark to see if he has come up with any quotes and go from there.

13. Well Grant/Report: Commissioner Nathan Young reported he spoke with Greg of Wright-Pierce, and he said that he is finishing that report. It was hoped that the Commissioners would have it for tonight, but it sounds like they should have

something by the next meeting. Commissioner Nathan Young will contact him again in a week to see where the report completion stands.

14. Old Invoices: Commissioner Nathan Young noted that the Precinct has received a random invoice random from Pennichuck for the price of \$15,000 +. Commissioner Bill Murphy reported that it was a big surprise, and he passed the invoice on to Cheryl Mitchell. However, it is an invoice from a year ago. Further, it was noted that Cheryl Mitchell did reach out to Tara and Sarah explaining that this invoice was not expected, and this was not planned for in this fiscal. The Commissioners looked at what was spent last year and planned for was looked at to create this year's budget and was unplanned for. It is owed however it is not acceptable.

Old Business/Ongoing Projects:

1. Leak Detection Grant: Tabled.
2. Lead Service Grant: Tabled.
3. NH DES Cross Connection Permits Per ENV-DW 505.06 and 505.02a:Tabled.
4. Well Field Access Pad: Commissioner Bill Murphy will ask Gelinas regarding doing the well field pad when he speaks to him about the Hydrant on Bluebird.
5. Block Off of Field Adjacent to Well Field: Tabled.

Long-Term Projects:

1. CIP Update: Tabled
2. DES Asset Management Survey: Tabled

Meeting Closed:

Motion to Close the Meeting by Commissioner Bill Murphy. Seconded by Commissioner Nathan Young. Passed unanimously. The meeting was adjourned at 6:08 p.m. by Commissioner Nathan Young, Chair.

Next Meeting:

The Next Regular Meeting Penacook/Boscawen Water Precinct, 9 Woodbury Lane, Boscawen, NH. on, Wednesday, September 14, 2022, at p.m.

Minutes submitted by: Lauren Hargrave, Recording Clerk on September 6, 2022

Minutes approved by: _____ /s/ _____ on September 14, 2022

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