# 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
	Lauren Hargrave, Clerk
	Cheryl Mitchell, Administrative Consultant

The regular meeting of the Penacook/Boscawen Water Precinct was called to order at 9 Woodbury Lane, Boscawen, N.H. on October 25, 2023, at 5:40 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 October 11, 2023. Seconded by Commissioner Frank Dineen. Passed Unanimously.

### New Business:

- Waive Fee Request: Commissioner Bill Murphy reported the customer at 18 Chandler Street had an issue with identity theft and changed checking account. Therefore, the check for PBWP payment bounced on the old checking account and the customer would like to know if the interest on the PBWP account can be waived. Commissioner Bill Murphy made a motion to waive the interest for 18 Chandler Street. Seconded by Commissioner Frank Dineen. Passed Unanimously.
- 2. 30 Queen Street Water Line: Commissioner Bill Murphy reported Gelinas may be done with the work tomorrow as he has been working on the project for the last couple of days. It should probably be connected. in the next couple of days.

- 3. Knowlton Roaf Leak: Commissioner Bill Murphy Commissioner Nathan Young asked if Commissioner Bill Murphy received an answer relative to them utilizing a harmonic unit. Commission Bill Murphy reported they choose not to use a harmonic unit. There is a plan where they are going to follow back to the main. There is a spot marked by dig safe. The issue is that GMI is too pave the road. The entire road will be grinded, regraded, place a base coat, and then put on a finished coat next year in the spring. The only difference now would be that there would be cutting of new pavement instead of old pavement. A brief discussion took place regarding the location of the leak and the fact that they may try to leave the road alone.
- 4. Corrosion Building Rodent Inspection: Commissioner Bill Murphy reported he met with pest control yesterday and up at the attic in the north end of the building you can see there is rodent infestation. Bait and traps were placed there and on the main floor. The pest controller will come back in two to three weeks and check to see what has taken place. Further, Commissioner Bill Murphy noted the back wall is full of rot from the bottom where rodents are entering the building. The air conditioner should be removed. There was a question if the siding needs to be removed, the wall repaired, and then resided. Commissioner Bill Murphy reported he believes the easiest and most complete way to manage this would be to take that end of the building off. Perhaps investigating it further by pealing the siding off and seeing what is under it and how much rot there is. A brief discussion took place regarding the infestation.
- 5. Corrosion Chlorine Pump: Commissioner Nathan Young reported there was a call the other night because the Chlorine pump would not auto past and lost its 4 to 20 control signal and there was no equipment there at that point to test. Therefore, Commissioner Nathan Young went to evaluate and the 4 to 20 was getting all the way to the pump itself but from there was not working which means the control module in the head of the pump died. They did some repairs with the spare pump, and it is now auto pacing again.
- 6. 57 Commercial Street Water: Commissioner Bill Murphy reported the pit at 57 Commercial Street is looking for water for minor things and bathroom facilities. Pennichuck is going to go to the location and try to locate the curb stop. There is a meter pit present, but it is set up for a two-inch meter, which is not needed. It is unknown if Pennichuck is going to try to adapt the connection down where one would fit or not. Commissioner Bill Murphy noted it is a very old pit so it is not known if it should be pulled or just make a new tap. A brief discussion took place regarding options, noting it is located next to the railroad tracks where there is a lot of debris in the ground. Commissioner Nathan Young noted it may be worth Pennichuck starting over, abandoning the current one, and making a new tap of

the appropriate size. A discussion took place regarding 37 Commercial Street which has two valves in the street, one feeding a little way down the street and the other feeding to the damn. Commissioner Bill Murphy reported that the Town recently paved that road, but they did not bother with raising anything. Therefore, there are the two valves which are now under approximately three inches of pavement. There is another valve which shuts off River Road and Commercial Street which is right on the edge of the pavement. Commissioner Bill Murphy knows where all the valves are. Commissioner Bill Murphy can go to 37 Commercial and find the two in the road and mark them. Commissioner Nathan Young believes the Town should be required to raise them all up and this practice by the Town is not acceptable. Commissioner Nathan Young will have a discussion with Dean Hollins from the Town. A discussion took place regarding the location, the flow direction of the water, marking the three valves, and having the three valves raised.

- 7. Billing for Sewer Project at Merrimack County Complex: Commissioner Bill Murphy noted there was a meter placed at the Merrimack County Complex for their lagoon project and that they are now done with that project. They will need the meter again next year for the other lagoon. Further, Commissioner Bill Murphy reported he sent the bill to Merrimack County. Cheryl Mitchell questioned if payment would be sent to Pennichuck or to the Precinct directly. Commissioner Bill Murphy will contact Merrimack County and double check that payment is made directly to the precinct.
- 8. 146 North Main Street Bankruptcy: Commissioner Bill Murphy reported the notice regarding bankruptcy went to Pennichuck instructing them the customer can no longer be billed. Commissioner Bill Murphy will contact Sarah Gerlack, of Pennichuck, and make sure no more bills get mailed to the customer. There is a recorded lien on the property. A brief discussion took place regarding billing, bankruptcy, the current amount owned for the two accounts on the property and tracking of current water use.
- Call Katie Curtis Grant Money: Commissioner Nathan Young reported Katie Curtis is away until October 31<sup>st</sup> and he will try to contact her again after that date regarding reimbursement from the Asset Management Grant as Wright Pierce was paid directly by the Precinct.
- 10. Well #3: Commissioner Nathan Young reported Well #3 went out the other day. He spoke with Chuck, who found a burnt-out lead on the disconnect. There was enough excess wire which was pulled back to clean wire and reattached. Chuck then ran the pump and put an amp meter on each leg which resulted in them all drawing the same amps. Therefore, the suspect is the connection got loose and

caused arching and heat and burned itself up because there is no evidence there is any issue with the pump.

- 11.121 Sweatt Street Meter Application: Commissioner Bill Murphy noted it is actually Lot 121 and the application was received. Further, Commissioner Bill Murphy emailed Pennichuck today letting them know it was all paid up on the meter.
- 12. Route 3, Route 4 Improvements: Commissioner Nathan Young reported the Precinct received the Route 3, route 4 improvements request for information today and the deadline is December 15<sup>th</sup>. Commissioner Bill Murphy reported Tom Santos from DOT sent a plan for the entire road and requested information on locations of water the water main, etc., and he will mark the locations and send them to DOT. A discussion took place regarding the location of the work to be done and the possibility of bringing water across the road to the other side of the road while DOT has the road torn up. It may be bringing over the water and placing a hydrant for flushing purposes. A discussion took place regarding feeds across the road and the opportunity to do so when the road improvements are made.

## **Other Business:**

 Commissioner Bill Murphy reported he received a call today from Ben Kelly of Jarado Way. Commissioner Nathan Young explained the draft of the plan is good and that Wright Pierce had answered some questioned they had, and that he will send it to both Commissioner Bill Murphy and Ben Kelly. The work will be completed in 2024.

# **Old Business:**

- 1. Block off of Field Adjacent to Well Field/Damage to Field Due to Trespassers: Tabled.
- 2. Corrosion Flow Totals: Tabled.
- 3. EMPG Grant: Tabled.

### Long-Term Projects:

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

Meeting Closed:

Motion to Close the Meeting by Commissioner Nathan Young. Seconded by Commissioner Bill Murphy. Passed unanimously. The meeting was adjourned at 6:20 p.m. by Commissioner Nathan Young, Chair.

#### Next Meeting:

The Next Regular Meeting Penacook/Boscawen Water Precinct, 9 Woodbury Lane, Boscawen, NH. on, Wednesday, November 8, 2023, at 5:30 p.m.

Minutes submitted by: Lauren Hargrave, Recording Clerk on October 30, 2023

 Minutes approved by:
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