

## **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  
Jeffrey Lewis, Elm Street Main Extension  
Erika Davis, Elm Street Main Extension

The regular meeting of the Penacook/Boscawen Water Precinct was called to order at 9 Woodbury Lane, Boscawen, N.H. of June 25, 2025, at 5:26 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 June 11, 2025. Seconded by Commissioner Frank Dineen. Passed Unanimously.***

### **New Business:**

1. Elm Street Main Extension (Jeffrey Lewis): Jeffrey Lewis explained the project is for the extension for Elm Street and presented the Commissioners with a mapping document for the proposed project area. He was unsure of the procedures or requirements for the Precinct regarding extending a water main. The service is for a proposed cul-de-sac project containing 5 houses. Commissioner Bill Murphy explained that the Precinct will have their engineer, Wright Pierce, look at the project plans. Jeffrey explained that he just submitted the project to the City of Concord last week which will take a couple of months to process. Jeffrey would like to make sure that if there are any concerns of the Precinct prior to it being submitted to their engineer he can address them prior. It will approximately be 500 feet of water extension, approximately 220 feet on Elm Street and 270 into the cul-de-sac. There will be a couple of fire hydrants, one on Elms Street entrance and one in the cul-de-sac. There will be a potential future connection at the end of the cul-de-sac

because there is some more property. City of Concord wants a right-of-way which will allow an opportunity for extension of water. There will be a valve for the hydrant and another valve after the tee and keep that shut off and the same thing at the northerly end also. Commissioner Nathan Young reported he will need a material list from the Precinct which he will email to Jeffery. Ductile iron is expected to be put in with an eight-inch main. Commissioner Bill Murphy noted that the Precinct has whatever was sent to the in Jeffreys original email. If the Precinct specifications can be sent to Jeffery then he can update the plans to make sure they are compliant with requirements before they are sent to Wright Pierce for review. Commissioner Nathan Young noted that every property will need its own curb stop. Jeffrey would like to know if the Precinct wants as-builds. Commissioner Bill Murphy reported that the Precinct does want as-builds and the Commissioners will go and look at what is being done periodically, however it is a straightforward project. Commissioner Nathan Young explained the new GIS program and requested measurements so it can be marked on the new program system. Jeffrey reported there will be a preconstruction meeting on site with the City of Concord and the Commissioners will be invited to the meeting. Jeffrey questioned if there are any applications necessary which need to be completed for the Precinct. Commissioner Bill Murphy reported there is an application online, however it is for service. Commissioner Nathan Young noted that he can fill out one application for different lots. Commissioner Bill Murphy questioned if the property is in current use and Erika Davis reported the client is unsure at this time. The City of Concord also questioned the current use. Commissioner Bill Murphy noted the assessors would know. A brief discussion took place regarding the piping, the last tap, and the process which may be necessary to complete the connection. Jeffrey questioned when payment was going to be due regarding the project. No money is due at the time of application. Wright Pierce charges an hourly rate. Commissioner Bill Murphy noted that in the past projects they were required to have an escrow. Commissioner Nathan Young will send Jeffrey the connection fees, construction materials list, and what the escrow will be. Commissioner Bill Murphy noted that as a house is built it is easier to install a meter for service to the house and have the service placed in the perspective buyer name. Construction will likely not begin until the fall. A brief discussion took place regarding the home building industry.

Jeffrey Lewis and Erika Davis departed the meeting at 5:38 p.m.

2. Lead Service Grant/Template: Commissioner Nathan Young reported he received an email today which stated that the State released a new template for all lead service information and Underwood is under contract for moving the old data to the new template. It is unknown if it was decided that the original template was useless. At some point the Precinct will receive a new template with all the same information.
3. Tie Card Scanning: Commissioner Bill Murphy reported he has begun to scall all the information contained within multiple types of sources the Precinct has. He is scanning

everything relevant in all the different types of notebooks which are all by streets and street numbers. Additionally, he is scanning all tie cards and other pertinent information. Once all the information is scanned it will be sent to Underwood to update the Precincts list. A brief discussion took place with regards to the information and scanning. It was noted that the scanned information will be placed on a USB which Commissioner Nathan Young will order and get to Commissioner Bill Murphy.

4. Well #3 Repair: Commissioner Bill Murphy reported the Well #3 repair is done and is back online. The Well was flushed, and he believes there was a bacteria test done also as it is back online. A brief discussion took place regarding the wiring of the previous pump which was put in. It was noted that a disconnect was put in and looked to see if there was any noticeable issues. It is unknown if the other Well's were checked.
5. Tank Cleaning: Commissioner Bill Murphy reported Aquarius showed up and completed the cleanings of all the tanks. He reported that the Merrimack Tank and the Fairbanks tank had a lot of rusty sediment in the bottom of the tanks. It was suggested by one of the cleaners that a mixer in the tank would prevent sediment from settle at the bottom of the tank. However, if there is a mixture in the tank it will be going into the system. Commissioner Nathan Young noted problem with turnover, chlorine residual with stratification in larger tanks but the Precincts tanks are not large enough nor do they have turnover enough. A discussion took place regarding tanks, tank sizes, mixers, and electricity usage. It was noted that Well #2 has now been shut off.
6. CCR (Consumer Confidence Report): Commissioner Nathan Young reported the Precinct received the annual CCR and the Precincts water is pristine except there is a lot of manganese. The Precinct is nowhere close except for iron and manganese. Iron came in as .21 ppm and the action level is .3. Manganese came in at .037 ppm and the action level is .05. The figures show that the Precinct is approximately 2/3 of the way through to the action levels. Commissioner Nathan Young noted that the levels are tolerable enough so filters, such as green sand, will make the numbers fantastic. A brief discussion took place regarding the CCR past reports and numbers.
7. 341 Queen Street: Commissioner Bill Murphy reported Gelinas completed the work.
8. Phone Contract/Phone: Commissioner Nathan Young questioned when the new contract begins and when the current contract ends. Commissioner Frank Dineen noted he signed the contract via DocuSign. Cheryl will be able to see a difference during the next billing cycle. Commissioner Nathan Young also reported he reached Consolidated, and the lines

were discontinued and since June 19<sup>th</sup> nothing has worked since. Consolidated requested payment be held until an updated bill is sent and then make payment. Commissioner Nathan Young will reach out to the phone company and request a copy of the contract for filing and when the new contract starts.

9. Dam: Commissioner Bill Murphy reported he has not had any response to his email. He had emailed Jeff Abbe and Katie Phelps and asked if there was any interest in the Town of Boscawen buying the Walker Pond Dam. The Loon society had sent some information regarding the dam and the Loon population. A brief discussion took place regarding the dam and the concerns if the dam broke and what the potential consequences would be.
10. RD Loan 4.25% for 30 Years/Meeting: Commissioner Nathan Young regarding the Rural Development loan is 4.25% for 30 years. There needs to be a special meeting held for the public to vote regarding approval of the loan. Commissioner Nathan Young would like to have numbers to tell the customers what it will mean regarding the water rates. He would like to get an idea of rates by looking at where it compares to the meter loan which was recently paid off. It would give an idea for the customers of where the rates may have to go in order to pay for a \$3.8 loan. Commissioner Bill Murphy noted if there was a number of how much was actually needed to borrow and look at how many cubic feet of water is produced in the course of a year it would allow an approximation of what the water rate will be. The Commissioners will run some numbers to discuss rates at the next meeting, which would allow them to have tangible rates available for customer reviews at the special meeting. A discussion took place regarding the piping for the project, pricing for the piping per mile, and reviewed piping which started to delaminate, and the special meeting for voting on approval.
11. Generator PM July 3<sup>rd</sup>: Commissioner Nathan Young reported that Generator PM repairs are scheduled for July 3<sup>rd</sup>. while they are there they will take an oil sample of the corrosion building generator as they have been adding approximately a gallon of coolant per every 6 months with no visible leaks. The header or gasket may be leaking. If there is a gasket which is leaking they do not suggest replacing it due to the age of the unit. Therefore, it would not only be good to know but will be information for the Grant. Commissioner Bill

Murphy is going to look at the unit himself. A discussion took place regarding potential issues and replacement of the generator.

12.18 Crescent Quality: Commissioner Bill Murphy reported he has not heard anything regarding the complaint of high chlorine levels which took place on Sunday. The house is the next house from the end of the line which may have something to do with it. Pennichuck was supposed to go and take samples periodically at the house to see what was changing. He has not heard anything but will ask Chad.

13.CCC: Commissioner Nathan Young reported he still has to look at it and has not yet had time to look at it. It is the backflow cross connection program so there is an up to date to hold people to the proper standards.

#### **Other Business:**

Commissioner Nathan Young questioned if anyone was aware of what Generating Solutions does for the Precinct. The bill state it is for annual subscription. It states GS400 Water System Chem Tank Monitoring Subscription. He reviewed the company on the internet, and it believed that it is the yearly fee for the unit which talks to Pennichuck. Commissioner Bill Murphy suggested asking Tori or Chad from Pennichuck. After reading the description of the company it was determine it is a yearly subscription for the monitoring service for Pennichuck so the bill should be paid.

Commissioner Bill Murphy noted when they cleaned the tank on Queens Street he noticed some of the shingles on the roof were blown off. It will be a project at some point.

#### **Long-Term Projects:**

1. Well #4: Tabled
2. GIS: Tabled
3. Corrosion Building Generator: Tabled
4. Commercial Street Right-of-Way: Tabled
5. Backflow Failures: Tabled
  - a. 314 DW HWY (1 out of 2)
  - b. 325 DW HWY (1 out of 2)
  - c. 154 King No Access
  - d. 172 King (1 out of 2)
  - e. 30 Tremont (1 out of 3)

**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 pm. by Commissioner Nathan Young, Chair.***

**Next Meeting:**

The Next Regular Meeting Penacook/Boscawen Water Precinct, 9 Woodbury Lane, Boscawen, NH on July 9, 2025, at 5:30 p.m.

Minutes submitted by: Lauren Hargrave, Recording Clerk on June 26, 2025.

Minutes approved by: \_\_\_\_\_/s/\_\_\_\_\_ on July 9, 2025  
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