

# Water Supply District of Acton

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Commissioners Meeting  
Water Supply District of Acton  
Meeting Minutes  
June 7, 2010

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The regular bi-monthly meeting was called to order at 7:35 p.m. on Monday, June 7, 2010 at the Acton Water District Office by Mr. Stephen Stuntz.

Present: Commissioners Stephen Stuntz, Ronald Parenti, and Leonard Phillips, District Manager Chris Allen, Treasurer/Collector Mary Jo Bates, District Counsel Mary Bassett, Commissioners Secretary Lynn Protasowicki. Finance Committee member(s) David Butler and Bill Kingman. Also in attendance: Barry Rosen representing WRAC and Mary Michelman representing ACES.

## **A. Comments from Citizens**

There were no comments from citizens at this evening's meeting.

## **B. Approval of Minutes from May 24<sup>th</sup> Meeting**

Mr. Stuntz moved to accept the minutes of the meeting held on May 24, 2010 and Mr. Parenti seconded the motion. The Commissioners were in favor of approving the minutes.

## **C. New Business**

### Discuss Use of Waterless Fixtures at Schools

Mr. Stuntz recently asked Mr. Allen if he could do some research into the cost savings and conservation benefit of using waterless fixtures at the Acton-Boxboro Regional high school, as he has seen these being used in different state-run facilities. Mr. Allen provided an update to the Commissioners as to his findings. He stated that it would cost \$300-\$500 to purchase one fixture with one cartridge. Mr. Allen will do some more research, and may reach out to appropriate parties working for state run facilities utilizing waterless fixtures. Ms. Bassett made a comment that maybe the State has grant money and/or incentives for changing over to waterless fixtures.

Mr. Stuntz stated that we look at changing fixtures in Town Municipal buildings, town hall, and library.

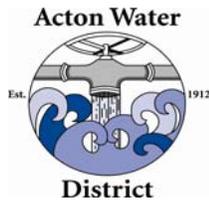
### Approve Meeting Schedule for July – December 2010

Mr. Allen presented to the Commissioners the proposed board meeting schedule for the remaining 2010 year. Mr. Stuntz moved to accept the proposed schedule and Mr. Parenti seconded the motion.

The Commissioners were all in favor of the new board meeting schedule for July through December 2010.

## **D. Old Business**

### Amend Minutes of May 10, 2010 Meeting



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The minutes from the May 10, 2010 regarding the bill abatement request from Mr. Frank Chen of 124 Main Street were amended to strike out the sentences, "The new meter is reading low. There is no logical reason as to why the old meter read high."

Mr. Stuntz moved to accept minutes of the meeting held on May 10, 2010 and Mr. Parenti seconded the motion. The Commissioners were in favor of approving the minutes as modified.

### Update on Meter Testing for 124 Main Street

Mr. Allen informed the Commissioners that the meter testing for 124 Main Street was completed on May 26, 2010. The test results showed that the meter was not inaccurate. Mr. Allen will send a letter and the test results to Mr. Chen. The Commissioners would like the letter to state that Mr. Chen will not be charged for the testing but will need to pay for his water usage.

### Update on Nitrate Testing at School Street

Mr. Allen provided an update to the Commissioners regarding the nitrate testing at School Street. Mr. Allen stated that drilling took place at one of the wells at GP5, School St at Craig Road. On Friday, May 4<sup>th</sup>, two attempts were made one reached refusal at approximately 21-feet, and the second at approximately 27-feet. The well at 27-ft was sampled, and revealed a nitrate concentration of 9.1 mg/L. This may be a somewhat diminished number due to the Verizon building, one of the commercial properties equipped with a cesspool, is vacant.. The drillers will return at a future date to complete drilling at the locations of the agricultural field and the sites abutting the residences on School Street.

### Update on Arlington Street Water Main Improvement

In this evening's packet the Commissioners were given a proposal from Onyx Trans. Inc. for restoration for Arlington Street once the water main improvement has been completed. The requirement by Town Engineering to resolve the hot top issue is to saw cut the entire trench, 3500 linear feet. Mr. Allen stated that he anticipated an approximate \$70,000 increase in costs and that there will be a change order to reflect this increase.

Mr. Stuntz moved to switch the contract over to unit cost basis with Onyx Trans. Inc. and Mr. Parenti seconded the motion. The Commissioners were all in favor of the new proposal from Onyx Trans. Inc.

### **E. Adjourn**

Mr. Stuntz moved to adjourn the meeting and Mr. Parenti seconded the motion. The meeting adjourned at 8:15 p.m.