



TOWN OF HALIFAX, MASSACHUSETTS BOARD OF WATER COMMISSIONERS

500 PLYMOUTH STREET
HALIFAX, MASSACHUSETTS 02338
TELEPHONE 781/293-1733
FAX 781/293-1776

MEETING MINUTES September 12, 2023

5:00 p.m. Daniel Bosworth made a motion to open the meeting.
Seconded by Richard Clark

Motion Passes

Present: Richard Clark, Chairman
Daniel O. Bosworth, Jr., Clerk
Bill Lindsay, Superintendent
Kathleen O'Neil, Administrative Assistant

Absent: Donald Bosworth, Commissioner

Meeting Minutes

Daniel Bosworth made a motion to approve the meeting minutes from August 8, 2023, as written.
Second by Richard Clark.

Motion Passes

Discussion – Monponsett Street

Alan Dias was in attendance on behalf of CNA Realty. Alan presented an engineered plan entitled, "Plan of Land in Halifax MA for CNA Realty Trust." The one-page plan is designed by Webby Engineering and dated August 10, 2017, with a revision date of September 6, 2017. This large property is located on Route 58 near Palmer Mill Road. The current owner is about to sell and needs to create a wetland crossing. He plans to install an 8-inch sleeve. Fire hydrants will need to be installed. He would like to connect to Monponsett Street via an 8-inch main and create a blow off area in lieu of looping it.

The property consists of 300-acres, 100 of which are going to be donated to the protection of turtle habitats. It is subdivided into four lots: one in Halifax and three in Plympton. No part of the proposed development will take place in Plympton. The proposed water service will only feed the industrial/commercial buildings planned.

Blue brute plus bell clamps will be installed for the 30-foot crossing. It will also need 40 feet of pipe starting at the center of the culvert. The union will be positioned so there will be 40-feet on each end leaving plenty of room. He will also put in a high-pressure cap.

There is a perennial stream crossing that drains into a cranberry bog on the Plympton side of the property about 400-500 feet from the power lines. The deepest part of the stream is 18-inches. Alan stated that there is plenty of area for drainage. Dick wants to ensure that when the main is installed it will be easily detectable. Alan said it will be.

Discussion – Monponsett Street

Preliminary plans show approximately twelve buildings because the “turtle people” requested a map/plan showing maximum buildout. If additional water volume is required in the future, it will be up to the new owner/developer to get the necessary approvals and/or permits. Dick said that the Halifax Fire Department will need to inspect the project and determine how much water is needed for fire safety.

Dick, Dan and Bill stated they are all fine with the project as presented.

Discussion – Union Contract

Dick told Dan about his meeting with the Town Administrator two weeks ago. Dick stated that Cody was not pleased to see Dick in attendance at this meeting. Dick’s biggest concern is why the Board of Selectmen are signing a contract for Water Department staff funded by the Water Department without ever having the Board of Water Commissioners review it. Bill stated he never agreed to the current overtime terms. He does not understand how it could be changed without his approval.

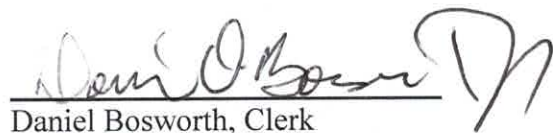
The Selectmen are meeting in Executive Session tonight to discuss the letter Dick sent them requesting they revise the contract by returning the overtime structure back to the original. Bill will keep the Commissioners updated on any developments regarding this matter.

Adjournment

6:15 p.m. Daniel Bosworth made a motion to adjourn.
Second by Richard Clark

Motion Passes

Approved,


Daniel Bosworth, Clerk