

# WESTMINSTER DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS P.O. BOX 376 WESTMINSTER, MA 01473 - Tel. (978) 874-5572

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## PUBLIC WORKS COMMISSION MEETING MINUTES

March 9, 2020

Location: Public Works Department Office, 2 Oakmont Avenue

Present: Lorraine J. Emerson – Chairman, Vance A. Butterfield, Ross W. Barber;

Joshua W. Hall – Director of Public Works, Patrick Haley – Asst. Director

of Public Works, Dale Lucier - Executive Assistant

6:00 PM Opened Meeting at Public Works Department Office. Reviewed correspondence and signed bills for payment.

6:01 PM Commissioner Butterfield made a motion that the Commission sign the Water Accounts commitment for the month of February 2020 for \$412.24 and the Sewer Accounts commitment for the month of February 2020 for \$5,467.29. The motion seconded by Commissioner Barber. Voted unanimously.

6:02 PM Commissioner Barber made a motion that the Commission approve the meeting minutes of February 24, 2020 as written. The motion seconded by Commissioner Butterfield. Voted unanimously.

#### 6:03 PM Sewer Intermunicipal Agreement Amendment

The Director apprised the Commission that the previously approved second amendment to wastewater IMA with the City of Fitchburg required an additional three signed originals for a total of nine. Commissioner Barber made a motion to sign. The motion seconded by Commissioner Butterfield. Voted unanimously.

#### Whitmanville Road Bridge Project Update

The Director apprised the Commission that tree clearing has been completed. Offer letters will be sent to abutters for compensation for easements.

#### Wachusett Brewery Industrial Pretreatment Program discharge permit

The Director apprised the Commission of the meeting that the Assistant Director had with WBC Plant/Project Manager Joe Powers. WBC pumped the tank and the material was brought to a renewable energy facility in Rutland. WBC plants to pump the tank every 3-4 weeks.

Ellis Road Water Storage Tank Replacement Project No new update.

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Whitman River Sewer Improvements Project Update No new update.

### Route 140 Reconstruction and Improvements Project Update

The Director apprised the Commission that they will vote at the March 23, 2020 meeting for the partial alteration and relocation of a portion of the Worcester Road layout. Letters will be sent notifying abutters of the meeting.

#### Other Items:

- The Director apprised the Commission that the annual water and sewer rate review will be done next month.
- Assistant Director is working on a list of roads that need improvements for 2020. Partridge Hill Road is one road that will need to be addressed.
- The Director updated the Commission on the town wayfaring sign program.
- Commissioner Barber asked if there was any update on the double pole situation. The Director stated he would get an update from Scott Farrar with National Grid.

6:55 PM Commissioner Barber made a motion to adjourn. The motion seconded by Commissioner Butterfield. Voted unanimously.

APPROVED WESTMINSTER PUBLIC WORKS COMMISSION

## **Documents / Exhibits**

1. Second Amendment Sewer Intermunicipal Agreement