

Commissioners Meeting
Water Supply District of Acton
693 Massachusetts Avenue
Acton, MA 01720

February 11, 2008

Agenda: Comments from Citizens
 Accept Minutes of January 28, 2008

OLD BUSINESS

Selectman Andy Magee for Update on Sidewalk Project
Update on Findings of Satellite Well Study at Kennedy Well Site

NEW BUSINESS

Minutes of February 11, 2008 Commissioners Meeting

Regular bi-monthly meeting. Present were Commissioners Parenti and Stuntz. Also in attendance were District Manager Chris Allen, Treasurer/Collector Mary J. Bates, District Counsel Mary Bassett, and Moderator Dick O'Brien. Representing the Finance Committee was Bill Kingman.

The meeting was called to order at 7:34 P.M.

OLD BUSINESS

Selectman Andy Magee for Update on Sidewalk Project

Andy Magee from the Board of Selectmen attended tonight's meeting to discuss the sidewalk project that will be located on Main Street. He discussed current problems with other sidewalk locations on Main Street including snow removal on the street and sidewalks. He also mentioned the safety issue of having sidewalks that are located only two feet from the road on a busy street. Mr. Magee discussed the location of the sidewalk located on Brewster Conant's property and said that they are moving the easement location so the sidewalk won't be in his front yard.

Mr. Magee reviewed the map of the area located at the Conant I Well and stated that he was asking the AWD for an easement to install a sidewalk on property owned by the AWD. Mr. Magee again stated his concerns for safety specifically at the P.O. Square location. He asked the Commissioners if this Main Street sidewalk project could be included on the warrant at the

Annual Meeting and he was informed that it was already included. The Commissioners stated that DEP would like a copy of the map showing the easement area.

Mr. Allen said he was concerned that the distribution line for the Conant I Well will travel under the sidewalk and this would be a problem if a break occurs in the line. Mr. Magee responded that it will be in the agreement if a break occurs, the Acton Water District will be able to dig up the sidewalk to get to the line.

The map currently shows two different areas that an easement would be required and Mr. Stuntz suggested that the sidewalk continue in this area and only one easement will be required. Mr. Magee felt that the Conservation Committee wouldn't have any issues with this request to continue the sidewalk over the wet land.

The Commissioners asked Mr. Magee to combine the two easements originally proposed into a single easement, and to meet with Commissioner Phillips regarding this issue at a later date.

Comments from Citizens

There were no comments from Citizens at tonight's meeting.

Mr. O'Brien informed the Commissioners that they are still in the process of looking for candidates for the Finance Committee position. The Commissioners suggested Malcolm Pluskal as a possible candidate, but were informed that since he is not a US citizen he cannot vote in District elections, and is therefore ineligible for a position on the Finance Committee. Mr. Stuntz suggested asking the WLMAC if they have any ideas on candidates. The Commissioners agreed to work on this issue.

Approve Minutes of January 28, 2008

Mr. Stuntz motioned to approve the minutes of the meeting held on January 28, 2008 and Mr. Parenti seconded the motion. The Commissioners were both in favor of approving the minutes as modified at tonight's meeting.

Update on Findings of Satellite Well Study at Kennedy Well Site

Mr. Allen discussed the response he received from Jim Deming and supplied the Commissioners with copies of records he located from Mr. Deming regarding the Kennedy Well testing. He discussed the findings and stated that the iron levels were prohibitive. The package the Commissioners received at tonight's meeting included the test results from Dufresne-Henry that were dated from September 2005. The Commissioners suggested sending a copy to the WLMAC for their review.

Mr. Allen said that the deadline for filed sub bids is this Friday, February 15, 2008, and the demand for specs has been high. The deadline for general bids is March 5, 2008.

ADDITIONAL BUSINESS

Model for Distribution System

Mr. Allen discussed the model for the distribution system from Stantec per Mr. Parenti's request, and stated that flow testing is being done on Silver Hill Road. He said that he has met with Malcom Pluskal and has learned that nothing has happened at this point due to a coordinating issue. It was noted that the water quality has been great since the valve has been shut off. Mr. Allen said that he has only had a few calls from residents on Carlton Drive and Parker Street and that he will make a telephone call to Susan Richmond of 17 Gioconda Drive to inquire if she has had any problems. She previously told Mr. Allen that she would email the AWD if any problems occurred. The AWD hasn't received an email from her informing them of any problems.

Mr. Parenti said that he questions the capability of the model that Stantec has created and it was decided that Mr. Parenti will make a telephone call to Tom Mahanna from Stantec. Mr. Allen will send an email to Mr. Parenti with the contact information.

Mr. Stuntz moved to adjourn the meeting and Mr. Parenti seconded the motion. The meeting adjourned at 8:07 pm.