

WATER & SEWER BOARD MINUTES

DATE: March 17, 2015 TIME: 6:00 P.M. PLACE: UNDER TOWN HALL

COMMISSIONER'S:

**Butch Barney (chair)
Ralph Wilkins
Lucy Stevens**

OPERATION MANAGER:

Marty Frizzell

GUESTS:

Butch opened the meeting at 6:00 p.m.

The minutes of February were read. Ralph made a motion to accept minutes as read. Butch seconded the motion. All in favor.

The board welcomed Lucy Stevens as commissioner. Looking forward to working with her.

Lucy made a motion to re-elect Butch as chair-person. Ralph seconded the motion.

The board agreed to hold their regular meetings under the Town Hall at 49 Mill St. Ext. in Island Pond, at 6:00 p.m. on the third Tuesday of the month.

Commissioner Butch Barney and Health Officer Joe Arborio, are setting up a meeting with Agency on Aging to discuss possible help for Sharon Henault. They will revisit Sharon and set up a payment plan on her past delinquent debt, while maintaining the current water and sewer bill.

Lucy brought up setting a date for delinquent water and sewer debts. She will talk with the Town Clerk on this issue.

Marty stated that they are still waiting for the pump on Meadow St., which he believes will be in this week.

Marty discussed the USDA grant with Wayne Elliott.

Marty reported there have been about 50 freeze-ups, and some occurring more than once. Marty stated with spring coming on, the frost will go deeper, which may cause a greater number of freeze-ups. In the case of a disaster, Tom Hanalon, who is Disaster Coordinator Emergency for the town may be able to help.

There was a problem at the Medical Center with sewer backup. At first it was believed to be frozen, but later discover it was plugged up due to the sewer pipe being cut off through the negligence of the contractor. The problem is under control. Marty believes the cost will be between \$5000 and \$7000 dollars.

Marty checked on Littlefield's water bill. The water has been turned off for several years.

Ralph asked why was the board not being informed of any problems, before hearing about it on the street. Marty said he informs Butch of any and every project and problem. Butch said it's his responsibility to keep the board informed and will make sure this is being done.

Butch signed a contract from Fred's Heating for propane fuel, for 2400 gallons at a price of 1.75 a gallon. The Town Clerk will send a check to Fred's Plumbing and Heating in the amount of \$4200.

The meeting adjourned at 7:00 p.m.

Secretary: Jocelyne Barney