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WATER & SEWER BOARD MINUTES

March 15, 2016

The Brighton Water and sewer board held their regular meeting at 6:00 p.m. in the basement of the town hall at 49 Mill St. ext., Island Pond, Vt.

Present at the meeting were commissioner's: Butch Barney(chair), Ralph Wilkins, Lucy Stevens operations manager: Marty Frizzell secretary: Jocelyne Barney

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

Minutes of February 16, 2016 were read. Ralph made a motion to accept minutes as read and Lucy seconded the motion. All in favor.

There was no update to the agenda

There was no public comment

First order of business was to elect a chairperson. Lucy made a motion to nominate Butch Barney as chair and Ralph seconded the motion. Butch accepted the nomination. All in favor.

There was a decision on propane fuel. Board will buy it from Fred's for \$135.5 per gallon for 2400 gallons.

Marty reported that there was a leak in one of the aeration lines. Will look into fixing the problem as inexpensively as possible. Will look at different solutions, one being getting a diver to check it out. It's not a quick fix, but need to move on it as soon as possible.

The electrical panel on Meadow Street needs to be changed. Marty will check on the most efficient and least expensive plan. The board will make no decision until this is done.

The board discussed the need to increase water and sewer rates. This is due to a hard winter in 2014 with a great many freeze-ups and overtime, the rising cost in materials and chemicals, and delinquent water and sewer users. The board will make a decision between now and June 1st.

Lucy made a suggestion that from here on in all delinquent water and sewer bill agreements must be paid by December 31st. Any delinquent balance must have a new agreement made. If agreements are not kept, it will result in water disconnect until paid in full. Board must approve all agreements.

Meeting adjourned 7:25 p.m. Secretary: Jocelyne Barney