

LINCOLN WATER COMMISSIONERS

DECEMBER 14, 2011

The regular monthly meeting of the Lincoln Board of Water Commissioners was held at the Lincoln Water Commission Office with Commissioners Conklin, DeCotis, Hadley, Lapierre, and Kay present. Also present was Water Superintendent John S. Faile. Also in attendance was Maria DiPaola.

The meeting was called to order at 4:33 PM.

In accordance with past practice of allowing guests to speak prior to addressing the agenda, the Chairman allowed Ms. DiPaola to address the Board. Ms DiPaola informed the Board that in her opinion her water bill was too high and requested relief from the charges. After much discussion, she was informed that because the water went through the meter and is registered on the dial she is responsible for the bill. Ms DiPaola left the meeting and will investigate the amount of water use further.

Upon motion of Commissioner Lapierre, seconded by Commissioner Kay, it was VOTED: To accept the minutes of the previous meeting

MONTHLY REPORT OF THE SUPERINTENDENT

Upon motion of Commissioner Lapierre, seconded by Commissioner

Hadley, the Superintendent Reports for the month of November is accepted. APPROVED.

MONTHLY FINANCIAL REPORT

Upon motion of Commissioner Kay, seconded by Commissioner Hadley, the November 2011 correspondence will be sent to the Town of Lincoln Finance Director with the status of the operating budgets and the financial report placed on file for audit. APPROVED

OUTSTANDING BALANCE REPORT

The Outstanding Balance Report for the month of November, 2011 will be placed on file.

CAPITAL ACCOUNTS

Accounts planning reports for the month of November was received by the Board and will be placed on file.

MONTHLY INVOICES

Upon motion of Commissioner Kay, seconded by Commissioner Hadley, Accounts Payable in the amount of \$217,184.28, and Direct Payments in the amount of \$234,721.84 were approved for payment. APPROVED

ABATEMENTS

Upon motion of Commissioner, seconded by Commissioner Abatements in the amount of \$2,338.20 are approved as follows:-

\$24.12 for Senior abatements of surcharges; \$400.00 for removal of termination fees that were entered twice; \$200.00 Removal of termination fees because customer came in with proof of bankruptcy; \$4.55 for removal of interest added after payment was received;; \$451.38 because realtor called in wrong reading for a final bill; \$825.71 from overbilling on bridge project; \$432.44 for an overbilling.

APPROVED

ACCOUNT TRANSACTION REPORT

The Account Transaction report will be placed on file.

CORRESPONDENCE

a) An email from Councilman John Flynn, thanking Water Commission personnel for a good job in preparing for the 2010/2011 audit was presented to the Board and will be placed on file.

b) Upon motion of Commissioner DeCotis, seconded by Commissioners Lapierre and Kay, a \$100.00 termination fee was deducted from an account due to the fact that an agreement had been made on the same day the fee was applied to the account.

APPROVED

c) A copy of a check in the amount of \$296.04 from ENERNOC for use of generators as an energy saving process was presented to the Board.

OLD BUSINESS

a) Upon motion of Commissioner DeCotis, seconded by Commissioner Lapierre, a request from the Superintendent to order parts to rebuild the second pump was denied. With Commissioners Kay, DeCotis, and Lapierre voting “Nay” and Commissioner Hadley abstaining, following much discussion, it was VOTED: That due to financial restraints, The Board will make a determination on the number of pumps to repair when the first pump is completed and favorably inspected. Parts for pump #2 can be ordered once that decision is reached but only one pump at a time can be taken off-line. APPROVED.

b) Upon motion of Commissioner DeCotis, seconded by Commissioner Kay, It was VOTED: To declare one Utility truck and one pickup truck as surplus property and allow the Superintendent to dispose of them in the usual manner of obtaining sealed bids. However Kelly blue book value for the utility truck is \$3,600.00 and the East Smithfield Water District has offered \$3,000.00 for the vehicle, therefore the Superintendent is authorized to dispose of that vehicle as he deems feasible. APPROVED.

Upon motion of Commissioner Kay, seconded by Commissioner DeCotis the office vacuum was also declared as surplus and can be listed “for sale” and sold to the highest bidder. APPROVED

d) Upon motion of Commissioner Lapierre, seconded by

Commissioner Kay it was VOTED: To authorize the superintendent to request reimbursement from the Rhode Island Clean Water Agency to reimburse the Lincoln Water Commission in the amount of \$39,000.00 from Loan # 2009 A and \$573.00 from loan # 2010A. APPROVED.

NEW BUSINESS

a) Upon motion of Commissioner Kay, seconded by Commissioner Lapierre, it was VOTED: To submit DewCon Invoice 15 in the amount of \$58,920.00 to the Rhode Island Clean Water Finance Agency for payment. APPROVED

b) A copy of a check deposited at Blackstone River Federal Credit Union was shown to the Board in accordance with a motion of the Board to balance the Commission's investments.

c) Upon motion of Commissioner Kay, seconded by Commissioner Lapierre it was VOTED: To place a commendation from a customer for Gary Scotto and John Christo in their respective personnel files. APPROVED.

SUBCOMMITTEE REPORTS

A claim requesting compensation for damages when a person riding

a bicycle hit a Water Commission truck was noted by the Board. The claim is being handled by Rhode Island Interlocal Risk Management Trust

OTHER BUSINESS

Members of the Board will attend the annual meeting of the Trust on January 19th.

An announcement of a change in leadership at the Providence Water Supply Board was shown to the Board.

The Superintendent presented the Board with his dates for vacation.

The Superintendent updated the Board concerning a meeting he held with representatives from Davies Vocational School. A master meter will be installed on the Davies campus.

Upon motion of Commissioner DeCotis, seconded by Commissioner Hadley , it was VOTED: To deny the request from the owners of the trailer park to recalculate the bill. APPROVED

There being no further business before the Board, the Chairman declared the meeting adjourned at 6:05pm