

TOWN OF UXBRIDGE

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BOARD OF SELECTMEN MEETING ROOM 21 S. MAIN STREET, UXBRIDGE, MASS MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 17, 2018 – 5:00PM

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Meeting is recorded.

Present: Jennifer Modica/Chair, Susan Franz/Vice Chair, Brian Plasko/Clerk, Jeffrey Shaw/Selectman Also Present: Angeline Ellison/Town Manager

CALL TO ORDER

WATER AND SEWER COMMISSIONERS MEETING

Discuss and review water and sewer study report. The Commissioners will consider a rate structure change for water and sewer services.

Tighe and Bond presented materials and findings.

Discussion included looking at adjusting the rate structure as well as need for rate increases, request for future sewer capital projects, some users paying too much/too little, water rate structure, capital impact fees (CIFS), non-rate revenue, water rate impacts, sewer rate impacts, minimum fee vs usage fee, low income rate subsidiary discussion, affordability equally across all spectrums, sewer treatment plant discussion, irrigation rates, look at income to qualify for discounts for low income residents. Ms. Franz would like to see how much of the \$1.4M hasn't been spent for the meter project. Mr. Sherman suggested not touching the \$1.4M. Cash register is the meter program. Ms. Modica will add the meter program discussion to the next meeting agenda. Mr. Sherman talked about moving forward with setting rates, meter replacement program, club sewer bills – water will increase, and sewer will decrease roughly \$1300 cost savings per quarter, 6-month rate set. Ms. Franz would like to make sure we get this right especially on the low income and would like to continue the conversation as much as we can. Ms. Franz will do some research on the low income rate subsidiaries. Rates would be in effect 10/1 and next bill will be based upon old rates. New rates/program will be readdressed before the 4/1/19 rate setting this will allow us to make any adjustments as needed. Board members should submit any additional questions to the Town Manager who will forward to Mr. Sherman to review prior to next meeting.

The following residents spoke:

Joe Marchand - money in reserve and upcoming payments due, need to increase rates in order to pay bills, water meter discussion.

The next regular Board of Selectmen Meeting acting as Water and Sewer Commissioners will be Monday, 9/24 and the rate hearing is scheduled for Thursday, 9/27.

ADJOURNMENT

MOTION: Ms. Franz made a motion to adjourn. Seconded by Mr. Shaw. The motion carried 4-0-0.

Minutes respectfully submitted by Ellen Welch. September 17, 2018 Minutes approved by the Board of Selectmen acting as Water and Sewer Commissioners:

Jenn fer Modica, Chair

Susan Franz, Vice Chair

Brian Plasko, Clerk

Jeffrey Shaw, Selectman

Date Approved: 12