

**RICHMOND WATER AND SEWER
COMMISSION MEETING
March 20, 2017 MINUTES**

Members Present: Bard Hill, Chair; David Sander, Vice Chair; Lincoln Bressor; Bob Reap; Fran Huntoon

Members Absent: None

Others Present: Geoffrey Urbanik, Town Manager; Kendall Chamberlin, Water Resources; Alan Huizenga Green Mountain Engineering; Maureen Kangley; Bruce & Sheila Bailey and Ruth Miller was present from MMCTV to tape the meeting.

Mr. Hill called the meeting to order at 5:30 pm.

Welcome and Public Comment

Mr. Hill asked if there was any public comment.

Bruce Bailey asked the status of the grants on West Main utility extension and Mr. Hill said that would be discussed shortly.

West Main Extension Conceptual and Financial Plans

Mr. Hill led the discussion about funding updates and movement forward. The Manager explained that the CWSRF program from the state had declined to fund the project this year. He noted that while state and federal funding wasn't likely at this time (without the mobile home park) that normal bonding was still a possibility. Mr. Huizenga explained that we had the possibility of utilizing USDA or state funding for the project but it was uncertain which would be better.

Mr. Hill suggested that maybe if there was a future health problem the State may be more interested in funding the project. There was additional discussion of goals of the expansion and future of the Gateway area, including town investment in economic development as a possible direction although no significant discussion on this had been had to date.

Mr. Chamberlin mentioned that if projects ranked above Richmond's were to drop off the list due to inability to fund locally, then Richmond may move into the funded category by the State. Mr. Hill asked for this to come back to the board if any new developments appeared.

Small Project Discussion

Mr. Chamberlin reviewed a few small projects for the board:

- Lemroy Court water line final phase – This is funded and is a “go” to be completed this Spring.
- Upper Bridge Street section beneath storm sewer – this is about \$242,000 and is not yet funded but is timely because of the storm line replacement.
- Western village water line section – this project is not funded but less important because the State has pushed their US Route 2 work off for more than five years.
- Bridge Street Crossing – this project was funded by DWSRF for the water line only, and was about \$200,000. Mr. Chamberlin felt the water line should remain suspended from the bridge, but placed beneath the sidewalk in a higher location.
- Jolina Court/Railroad St/Bridge St intersection – this was pending design and review. The new building on Jolina Court would need a new water line, but other valve and routing

1 improvements needed to be made on Bridge Street and Railroad Street at this time. Costs
2 were unknown, but this project would need to happen this year.

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4 There was discussion on these projects and general agreement on Mr. Chamberlin's view on course
5 of action.

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7 Superintendent's Report

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9 Mr. Chamberlin discussed the Asset Management Plan, and distributed some information to the
10 board. He added some explanation of the age of the water line crossing the Bridge Street Bridge and
11 how it was in need of replacement in addition to relocation.

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13 Green Mountain Engineering Agreement Amendment for East Main/Lemroy

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15 The Manager explained this was amendment number 3 with Green Mountain Engineering on the East
16 Main/Pleasant/Lemroy water line project, adding another \$8,200 for a total of \$122,802 for
17 engineering services.

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19 Mr. Bressor offered a motion to approve the amendment number 3 with Green Mountain Engineering,
20 for a total contract value of \$122,802 and was seconded by Mr. Sander and the motion carried 5-0.

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22 Approval of Warrants

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24 The warrant was reviewed and approved.

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26 Adjourn

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28 Mr. Sander offered a motion to adjourn at 6:30 pm and was seconded by Ms. Huntoon. So voted.