

# Exeter (NH) Water & Sewer Advisory Committee

## Meeting Minutes

March 9, 2016

Chairman Bob Kelly called the meeting to order at 6:30 pm in the Nowak Room of the Exeter Town Offices building. Other members present were David Michelsen, Gene Lambert, and Selectboard representative, Anne Surman.

### 1. **Approve meeting minutes**

Mr. Kelly presented the draft January 13, 2016 meeting minutes for review. Mr. Lambert moved and Mr. Michelson seconded a motion to approve the January minutes as written. The minutes were approved 4-0.

### 2. **Abatements**

There were no abatement requests for this meeting.

### 3. **Regular Business**

#### a. **Projects Update**

A project update from DPW was not available for the meeting.

Mr. Kelly indicated that both the Water and Sewer budgets passed at the Town Meeting by a 3:1 margin. The construction bond warrant for the proposed Wastewater Treatment Plant upgrade on Newfields Rd passed 1,587 for to 529 against. Mr. Kelly noted that the design for this plant was on going and we are at approximately the 60% point.

#### b. **Financial Reports**

January 2016 unaudited financial reports were previously distributed to the committee via email from Laura Zogopoulos of the Finance Department. General discussion ensued on the reports. Note was made that the fund balances have continued a downward slope begun in late summer 2015 due to projected revenues for 2015 slightly behind budgeted expenses. Expenses due to project debt service and added testing requirements also increased dramatically over the past two years.

No significant questions were posed.

### 4. **Other Business**

Matt Berube, the Water and Sewer Technician for DPW presented a concept for hydrant set-up rentals due to the increased cost and manpower for DPW to carry out this work. Mr. Berube wanted to give the Committee a heads up on this approach, and a more formal action will be forthcoming.

### 5. **Committee Calendar**

The next regular meeting is scheduled for Wednesday, May 11, 2016 at 6:30 pm in the Nowak Room at the Town Offices. Mr. Kelly adjourned the meeting at 7:00 pm.

Respectively submitted,

Robert Kelly  
Recording Secretary pro tem