

**Town of Berlin Sewer Commission
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Commissioners
Rob Allen / Jim Hartson / Henry LaGue Jr.
Dana Marineau / Norbert Rhinerson

Assistant Mary S Wissell

**Regular Meeting
Monday October 8, 2007**

Unapproved Minutes

Agenda Summary

Meeting started at 7:05.

Dana Marineau Chair until Rob Allen arrived at 7:30.

Public Comment: none

New Business - none

Assistant's Report -

Weinert's Account back billing – A letter and invoice was sent to Weinert's at 216 Point Ridge Road, billing them for services from January 1, 2004 to December 31, 2006.

Green Mountain Power – The splice box has been moved. The guy wire was not moved, Verizon has been contacted to move the anchor so this can be done.

Anderson Easement - Henry LaGue advised that he had a conversation with Wayne Lawrence regarding the proposed easement. At the end of the easement, in order for the line to be gravity feed, the last manhole will be quite deep – possibly 19 feet. To avoid this, the route of the easement would have to zig zag rather than going straight and a 10 foot easement would have to be acquired from Connor's. Rob Allen advised that rather than have the right of way zig zag he would rather go straight. If the easement is to go straight no other easement would be needed. Mary is to invite Wayne Lawrence to the next meeting to discuss and review profiles of the proposed changes.

Maintenance -

E-Z Valve replacement at the Main Pump Station – is scheduled to be installed at the main pump station on October 10th. Dubois will be doing the digging, starting about 7:30 AM. The valve company will be there

about 11:00 AM.

October 5th Ron Mercier and Dana Marineau walked the sewer line from the back of the HillTop Motel to the Barre Montpelier Road (the old plant site). Manholes were checked and found to be in very good condition. This line was installed in 1968. Possible future maintenance – request permission from AOT to fill in the gully where the sewer line goes under the highway.

One manhole could not be found by Novello's furniture – Ron Mercier to try to locate this with a metal detector.

Delinquent Accounts -

Efforts to collect monies from very delinquent accounts have been unsuccessful. The Board discussed requesting the Select board to proceed with tax sales to clear these accounts up. It was decided that the Commission would invite Treasurer Patti Lewis to the next meeting to request her input and assistance.

Financial - A balance sheet thru the end of September was reviewed. The report shows the Montpelier Collection Budget at 53%. Mary to check on this, it appears a treatment charge has been coded wrong. It was noted that the Treasurer is doing a great job earning a good rate of interest on the sewer account monies.

Round Table -

Dana Marineau reported that Ron Mercier had checked the manhole by LeGares Market and there was no grease at this time.

Warrants - All warrants were signed.

Meeting Adjourned at 8:15. Motion by Dana Marineau, 2nd by Jim Hartson. All in favor.

Mary S Wissell
Assistant to The Sewer Commission