

Minutes of 9/8/26 Sewer Commission meeting– Regular (Hybrid) Meeting at DPW 520 Chase Road

Attendees: Chair- Brett Ramsden, Vice-Chair- Scott Dall, Member: Chip Wilson, Sewer Business Manager- Andrew Valliere, Minutes Clerk- Jane Ranley

Absent: Clerk- Dan Proctor and DPW Director- Bill Bernard

Brett opened the meeting at 6:23 pm. and did a roll call of attendees. The Commission began the meeting by saying the Pledge of Allegiance.

PUBLIC COMMENT/ANNOUNCEMENTS – In regard to Arthur Katis leaving the Commission, Brett pointed out that Arthur had been a good addition to the Commission. He brought a different view to the board as a customer and asked a lot of questions that many of their customers may be wondering about.

CURRENT BUSINESS –

---Minutes of 08/25/26

Motion: Scott D.

Second: Chip W.

To accept the minutes of 08/25/26.

Roll Call Vote: Scott-aye, Chip-aye and Brett-aye.

--- Sewer Business Manager/ DPW Director Updates–

---Special Town Meeting Article on Service and Construction Contracts language- Andrew stated that he sent the Commissioners some sample wording for the warrant article and they would need to vote on it since the warrant article was due 9/15.

Scott read the following wording for the vote: **That the Sewer Commission vote to authorize the development and advertising of a Comprehensive Procurement for the Sewer Pump Station Operation, Maintenance, Emergency Services and Construction Capital repair work to be combined into a single multi-year contract and further vote to recommend that a warrant article authorizing the town to enter into such a contract to be presented at the November 17, 2026, Special Town Meeting.**

Motion: Chip W.

Second: Brett R.

To accept the wording.

Roll Call Vote: Chip -aye, Scott-aye and Brett-aye.

---CTE O&M Contract- Andrew reported the CTE contract is extended until 11/25/26 so they can get everything completed before their contract expires.

---Touch-A-Truck recap-Andrew noted the event went very well and was well attended. The weather was good and the kids had fun. Scott read a thank you note from Lisa Morency of Dracut, thanking him for providing the delicious cotton candy, which her 2-year-old grandson loved.

---Privilege fee assessments 786-796 Mass Ave & 67 Pratt Street- Andrew reported the 786-796 Mass Ave, which was the old Stone Farm, had paid 2 betterments and were now assessed a privilege fee of \$23,102.96, which has been paid. He added that 67 Pratt St is already connected and was assessed a privilege fee of \$6,998.74. The Commissioners signed the assessments. Andrew said he has a rolling list of those looking to connect.

---Future Agenda Items- CTE O&M Contract, Special Town Meeting,

PUBLIC COMMENT – Andrew noted that it has been 20 years since the formation of the Sewer Commission and he wanted to recognize the work of all the past and present Commissioners. He acknowledged that Brett has been a Commissioner for 6 years and Jane has been doing the minutes for 9 years. Andrew gave out certificates of appreciation to both. Brett thanked him and said he is looking forward to the next 3 years. Jane also thanked the Commission and noted that she has known many Commissioners through the years.

UPCOMING SCHEDULED SEWER COMMISSION ACTIVITIES:

September 29, 2026 @ 6pm – (Zoom) Meeting

October 13, 2026 @ 6pm – Regular (Hybrid) Meeting

October 27, 2026 @ 6pm – (Zoom) Meeting

November 10, 2026 @ 6pm – Regular (Hybrid) Meeting

Motion: Chip W.
To adjourn at 6:42 pm.

Second: Scott D.
Roll Call Vote: Scott-aye, Chip-aye and Brett-aye.

Respectfully submitted,

Jane L. Ranley
Minutes Clerk