

**Ashland Water and Sewer Commission Minutes  
November 5, 2013  
6 Collins Street  
Ashland, NH  
7:00 PM**

**CALL TO ORDER:** Alan Cilley called to meeting to order at 7:01 PM.

**MEMBERS PRESENT:** Alan Cilley, Robert Boyle, and John Hughes

**OTHERS PRESENT:** Christine Cilley, By Hancock, Paula Hancock, Linda Pack, Steve Broadbent, Chris Perkins, Jeff Provost, Normand DeWolf and Rusty Cross.

**OLD BUSINESS:** The Commissioners reviewed bids for a 2003 Water and Sewer Department vehicle. They accepted a bid for \$1,874.60 from Carl Abear.

The Commissioners reviewed a written contract from Emery and Garrett pertaining to the testing of the town's wells that furnish water to the town water system. After some discussion it was decided that the contract needed more review and discussion. No action was taken at this meeting.

The Commissioners reviewed a bill from Ashland Lumber for the purchase of materials needed for the insulation project at the town's pump station. After review Robert Boyle made the motion: To pay the bill from Ashland Lumber in the amount of \$51.32. Alan Cilley seconded the motion. There were three yes votes. It was a unanimous vote of the Commission.

**NEW BUSINESS:** Three representatives Steve Broadbent, Chris Perkins and Jeff Provost from Western Sampson Engineers came to discuss with the Commissioners an opportunity for the town to receive a grant from DES in the amount of \$15,000. The grant if approved by DES would be used to assess the present condition of Ashland's water and sewer systems. Once assessed plans would be discussed on how to upgrade the town water and sewer system in a manner that would be timely and of least expense to the town. Steve Broadbent, Chris Perkins and Jeff Provost were offering to assist the Commissioners in the writing of the grant application for the grant monies. The Commissioners decided that the issue needed further discussion on their part and they would contact the company by Friday, November 8 with a decision.

Rusty Cross discussed briefly with the Commissioners his monthly report.

The Commissioners reviewed correspondence from Woodard and Curren. The correspondence was tabled for further review and discussion.

The Commissioners discussed the water and sewer rates for the upcoming Water and Sewer Department budget. After discussion John Hughes made the motion To raise the town water rate by 10% or 35 cents to \$3.85. To raise the town sewer rate by 20% or \$1.20 to \$7.20 effective January 1, 2014. Alan Cilley seconded the motion. The vote was 2 yes and 1 no. The motion carried.

**MINUTES:**  
Commission meeting.

The Commissioners decided to table the minutes to the next

**ADJOURNMENT:**  
adjourned at 9 PM.

With no further business to come before the Commission John Hughes made the motion to adjourn. It was a unanimous vote of the Commission. The meeting

Respectfully submitted,  
Paula Hancock  
For the Ashland Water & Sewer Dept.