

**REGULAR MEETING**

**WATERTOWN FIRE DISTRICT  
DISTRICT COMMISSION**

**DATE:** July 8, 2019  
**TIME:** 7:00 P.M.  
**PLACE:** District Office  
24 DeForest Street  
Watertown, CT 06795

**BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS**

Steve Ouellette, Chairman	Present
James Lehner	Absent
Anthony Martone	Absent
Robert Yerger	Present
Pedro Soares	Absent
Alfonso Bernardi, Alternate	Present
Carl Minicucci, Alternate	Absent
Mark Crane, Alternate	Absent

**1. Call meeting to order**

Meeting was called to order at 7:00 p.m.

**2. Roll Call**

Present were Commissioners Ouellette, Yerger and Alternate Commissioner Bernardi. Commissioners Lehner, Martone, Soares and Alternate Commissioners Minicucci and Crane were absent.

Alfonso Bernardi was asked to sit in for James Lehner.

**ALSO PRESENT:**

Fire District Superintendent Michael Tanuis and Watertown Fire District Employees Vincent Tanuis and Ashley Monte.

### **3. Public Commentary**

Mr. Fournier of 681-689 Main Street asked the Board to review the increase in his sewer fee. He had a tenant living at the property who didn't make him aware of a water leak. He had been out of town which is why the issue had not surfaced until he had returned. He would like a sewer fee adjustment.

Guy Capuano of 162 Main Street asked the Board to review his sewer fee due to a water leak leading to the increase in consumption from this past winter. He asked the Board for a sewer fee adjustment.

Terry Childs of 61 French Street asked the Board to review the increase in his sewer fee because he had a water heater tank leaking which caused water to be consumed at an increased rate. He has since shut off the water heater and is only using cold water. His water consumption for the household has dropped to an average of 18,357 gallons over last three months since the water heater has been shut off.

Eyad of 78 Woodruff Avenue asked the Board to review the increase in his sewer fee due to having less people present in the household.

**MOTION:** By Mr. Robert Yerger and seconded by Mr. Alfonso Bernardi to close public commentary.

Motion passes unanimously.

### **4. Approval of Minutes**

**MOTION:** By Mr. Robert Yerger and seconded by Mr. Alfonso Bernardi to approve the minutes from the Monday, June 10, 2019 Regular Meeting as presented.

Motion passes unanimously.

**4A. Discussion and possible approval of Sewer Fee Adjustment for 681-689 Main Street**

The Board discussed and reviewed the usage for 681-689 Main Street due to a water leak which caused the normal winter usage to increase. The leak has since been repaired. The Board decided to adjust the sewer fee for 681-689 Main Street for the year beginning with the 6/27 bill using the average monthly winter usage of 4,500 gallons.

**MOTION:** By Mr. Alfonso Bernardi and seconded by Mr. Robert Yerger to approve a sewer fee adjustment for 681-689 Main Street for the year beginning with the 6/27 bill using the average monthly winter usage of 4,500 gallons.

Motion passes unanimously.

**4B. Discussion and possible approval of Sewer Fee Adjustment for 162 Main Street**

The Board discussed and reviewed the usage for 162 Main Street. The Board decided to adjust the sewer fee for 162 Main Street for the year beginning with the 6/27 bill using the average monthly winter usage of 19,357 gallons.

**MOTION:** By Mr. Robert Yerger and seconded by Mr. Alfonso Bernardi to approve a sewer fee adjustment for 162 Main Street for the year beginning with the 6/27 bill using the average monthly winter usage of 19,357 gallons.

Motion passes unanimously.

**4C. Discussion and possible approval of Sewer Fee Adjustment for 61 French Street**

The Board discussed and reviewed the usage for 61 French Street due to a leaking water heater tank which caused the normal winter usage to increase. The Board decided to adjust the sewer fee for 61 French Street for the year beginning with the 6/27 bill using the average monthly winter usage of 18,357 gallons.

**MOTION:** By Mr. Alfonso Bernardi and seconded by Mr. Robert Yerger to approve

a sewer fee adjustment for 61 French Street for the year beginning with the 6/27 bill using the average monthly winter usage of 18,357 gallons.

Motion passes unanimously.

**4D. Discussion and possible approval of Sewer Fee Adjustment for 78-80 Woodruff Avenue**

The Board discussed and reviewed the usage for 78-80 Woodruff Avenue due to less people present in the household. The Board decided to leave the sewer fee for 78-80 Woodruff Avenue as is.

**MOTION:** By Mr. Alfonso Bernardi and seconded by Mr. Robert Yerger to leave the sewer fee for 78-80 Woodruff Avenue as is.

Motion passes unanimously.

**5. Superintendent's Report**

Mr. Tanuis had nothing to report.

**6. Chairman's Report**

Mr. Ouellette had nothing to report.

**7. Adjournment**

**MOTION:** By Mr. Alfonso Bernardi and seconded by Mr. Robert Yerger to adjourn the Regular Meeting of Monday, July 8, 2019 at 7:58 p.m.

Motion passes unanimously.

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Steve Ouellette, Chairman