

## OPEN SESSION MINUTES BOARD OF WATER COMMISSIONERS

Tuesday February 22, 2022

DAVID SHEEDY, CHAIRMAN
PETER SPAGONE JR., VICE CHAIRMAN
CAROLE JULIUS, CLERK

TOWN HALL, 2<sup>nd</sup> FLOOR CONFERENCE ROOM 175 CENTRAL STREET EAST BRIDGEWATER, MASS.

*Members Present*: David Sheedy, Peter Spagone Jr., and Carole Julius *Members Absent*:

*Others Present*: Charlie Seelig, Town Administrator; Rebecca Johnson, Assistant to the Town Administrator and Board of Selectmen, Jason Trepanier, Water Superintendent.

2:05 pm Chairman Sheedy called the meeting to order.

Chairman Sheedy stated the purpose of this meeting was to review a request to reduce a water bill from Debbie Wile, daughter of resident Richard Perkins, 333 NO. Central St.

Water Superintendent, Jason Trepanier was present. Mr. Trepanier gave a brief explanation regarding the request. He stated the water department went to Mr. Perkins residence on December 30, 2021 and confirmed there was a water leak in the barn / garage which would cause an increased water bill. He stated the water department shut the water off to the barn / garage which should resolve the issue going forward.

Mr. Trepanier stated there are two options for addressing the request.

Option 1 – Average the water bill for the last two years and bill Mr. Perkins based on that (savings of \$375.16).

Option 2 – Have Mr. Perkins pay for all gallons used in that half year, but at the first tier rate (so the 3,111 gallons above the first 5,000 gallons would be billed at the 0-5,000 gallon rate (savings of \$81.51).

Under both options, he would still pay the standard service charge of \$75 which is part of any water bill, no matter how much or how little is used.

Ms. Julius made a motion to approve the water abatement request from Debbie While, daughter of resident Richard Perkins 333 No. Central Street, based on an average water bill for the last two years and bill him based on that (savings of \$375.16). Mr. Spagone Jr. seconded. All were in favor. 3-0

## **ADJOURN**

Motion by Julius, second by Spagone Jr. to adjourn. Vote 3-0 Meeting adjourned at 2:18 pm

Carole Julius Clerk

Board of Selectmen