

Meeting of Stoneham Water and Sewer Review Board

Nov. 24, 2015

Hearing Room, Stoneham Town Hall

7:00 P.M.

Members in attendance: John Bracciotti, Scott LeBeau, Stephen Quattrocchi, Patricia Walsh

Absent: Richard Mangerian

Guest: Robert Grover, Supt. of Stoneham Public Works

The meeting of the Stoneham Water and Sewer Review Board was called to order by Chr. Scott Lebeau at 7:00 P.M.

Minutes of the Sept. Meeting were corrected. The date was changed to reflect the correct meeting date: Oct. 22, 2015.

Following the correction, the minutes were accepted.

A hearing of the Stoneham Water and Sewer Review Board was requested by Cameron and Concetta Bain, 12 Highland Avenue. 12 Highland Avenue is divided into two apartments housing nine residents. The home has two water meters. There is no irrigation system. There is an outdoor pool. The DPW was called to check meters. The water meters were running and it revealed that no water was discharging. The seal on the meter was broken. The seal was resealed by the DPW. This occurred a second time, wherein the seal was resealed and consumption returned to the previous level of 135 units to the average of 50 units.

Mr. Grover inquired about who might have tampered with or broken the seal. The response from Mr. Bain was that construction had taken place at this address and perhaps the trouble with the meter was a result of the construction. There was no definitive explanation. Mr. Bracciotti asked why the Bains had not responded to the letter from the Town of Stoneham DPW asking to inspect the second meter. Mr. Bain explained that the lack of response was due to a personal health issue.

Mr. Grover explained that all water that passes through a water meter is the homeowner's responsibility. Mr. Grover said that no charge was assessed for the broken seal.

The hearing closed, leaving the SWSRB to review and deliberate over evidence presented. Based on the information received at this hearing, a decision by the board was made not to issue an abatement. This decision was presented as a motion by Steve Quattrocchi. The motion was seconded by John Bracciotti. All members present voted in favor of the motion.

Chr. LeBeau made a motion to adjourn the meeting. This motion was seconded by Patricia Walsh. The meeting was adjourned at 7:50 P.M.

Respectfully,
John Bracciotti, Secretary