

Brewer's recommendation - Town Wide Water System (Emergency)

WATER ADVISORY BOARD
McKOWNVILLE WATER DISTRICT

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27 Warren Street
McKownville, N. Y.
March 28, 1965

Mr. Gordon Robinson, Supervisor
Town of Guilderland
Guilderland, N. Y.

Dear Sir:

We are handing you herewith a copy of the minutes of the meeting of this Board held on March 28th at the Town Hall for your records and consideration.

Confirming what was conveyed verbally on the evening of that date, this Board unanimously approves the plans for alterations to the filter plant as presented by Mr. Fraser, Engineer, with the following additions:

1. That an addendum or alternate be added for inclusion of automation of the new filter system and pumps bid.
2. The amount of insurance for single payment claim be increased from \$100,000. to \$200,000.
3. Mr. Fraser investigate the need to replace the present heating plant.

The Board unanimously recommends that the Town Board proceed without delay to get the contract for this work let.

In addition to the above the Board unanimously urges that you take prompt action on the previous recommendations to follow up the matter of acquisition of the Church Pond. As an alternative, if necessary, the possibility that it could be taken by condemnation should be explored. We would appreciate a report on any action taken as soon as possible.

The Board also voted unanimously to request the Town Board consider actions on the following:

1. Changing the hours for outside sprinkling from those previously used to 7:00 to 9:00 A.M. and 7:00 to 9:00 P.M. on the same day schedule as previously used. This to take effect in April and continue until June 10th to observe drought conditions and possible operation of the new filter. It was felt this change would allow better recovery of the tank storage during the night.
2. That Engineer, Fraser, be authorized to prepare a complete up to date map of the distribution system of the Water District and that of the Birchmont District.
3. That the Engineer be authorized to submit suggestions and cost estimate of a feasible secondary 8" main on the North side of Western Avenue and making it available for connection to Stuyvesant Plaza system to complete their loop and give a secondary avenue for water to reach the balance of the distribution system.

4. That the Engineer be authorized to study the feasibility of the installation of a new hydrant on the Birchmont main in the vicinity of Short St. and East Dillenbeck if it can be determined that this will give a satisfactory fire flow or at least better the flow of the one hydrant now on the system. Also that provision for installation of a new hydrant on Fuller Road in the vicinity of Stuyvesant Plaza be made.

5. That the Town consider the adoption of the Fire Prevention Code.

Considerations 2, 3, 4 and 5 above are in accordance with suggestions made in the October 1964 report of the New York State Fire Insurance Rating Bureau in its evaluation of fire defenses of the McKownville Fire District.

The Board wishes also that the following information be made available to us for the purpose of checking the records we have and evaluation of the cost of operation and water use of the District:

1. The outstanding bond issues in detail for the McKownville and Birchmont Water Districts, including due dates and time still to run.
2. The total amount of water used during 1964 by both districts.
3. Cost of operation for 1964 for both districts.

We would appreciate your advising us what action is taken on each item of those outlined in this letter so that we have the proper information at hand to make recommendations.

We would further appreciate your advising us as to final action taken on appointing an assistant to Mr. Jacobson in the operation of the water plant.

Very truly yours,

WATER ADVISORY BOARD
McKOWNVILLE WATER DISTRICT

By

Chairman

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