

Sewer Commission

April 15, 2026

Present:

- Sewer Commission: Mr. Clark Frazier, Chair; Mr. Joe Fisher and Dr. Richard Eisen
- Mr. Russell Tierney, Water & Sewer Superintendent
- Ms. Liz Welch, DPW Office Manager

Call to order:

6:00 pm: Chair Frazier called the meeting to order.

Approval of Minutes

Vote: Dr. Eisen made a motion to approve the minutes dated January 21 2026, seconded by Mr. Fisher.

109 Weir Street

Spokesperson: Patrick Easley, representing ALR Homes LLC, owner

Mr. Patrick Easley represents ALR Homes LLC, owner of 109 Weir Street, who purchased from Robert Hedlund. He explained that they were told they could hook up to sewer. Mr. Tierney explained that this connection was never approved as the Sewer Commission stated they needed to see the building plans to approve.

Mr. Tierney explained that this connection was put in by the developer the Patterson Pond Estates development and the easement was approved. The connection just needs to be approved and fees paid. This is a private pump and is on the owner.

Vote: Mr. Fisher made a motion to approve the sewer connection of 109 Weir Street with the stipulation that all permits and fees are paid, seconded by Dr. Eisen.

West & Sampson Operations Report

Spokesperson: Matt Buoncuore, Project Manager, Weston & Sampson

Mr. Buoncuore gave reported on what has been done since the last meeting he attended on December 17, 2025.

- We replace a bad contactor for Pump 2 at Weir River.
- We replaced Pump 1 at Weir River.

- The Odor Control Vapex system was started up at Weir River and staff were trained on operation.
- All of the generators were serviced for the first part of the year.
- Subarea 9 was cleaned and cameraed which accounts for 8% of the system, 12% remains for this year.
- All backflow devices were inspected.
- Both pumps at Bel Air were pulled after the heavy flows from snow melt to remove small clogs.
- United Rental was brought in for bypass pumping while Broad Cove header was raised and new valves and piping were put in. The station ran on bypass for a month and was returned to normal operation. Williamson Electric is currently working on Pump 2 installation of the new Barnes Pump and then will move on to Pump 3.
- We performed 6 Dig Safe mark outs.

Worlds End Sewer

The Commission received a memo from the BOH requesting the Sewer Commission to investigate options for extending the sewer system into the World's End area of town. The premise of the letter is to protect public health and water conditions.

After town meeting it was suggested that we discuss this. Mr. Tierney suggested that we have a working session with Weston & Sampson and report back to the Commission and only one Commissioner would be able to attend.

Mr. Fisher would like what the monetary effect would be on the Town and the residents. Mr. Tierney explained that the Ship and Cottage sewer extension was paid by the residents. There was no cost for the town.

The Commission should consider responding to BOH acknowledging receipt and suggest how to move forward. Mr. Tierney will draft a letter and forward to the Commission.

Abatelements

Ms. Welch presented the January sewer bill abatements for 2602 Hockley Drive, 46 Bradley Hill Road, 11 Thayer Street, 32 Kimball Beach Road, 97 Kilby Street, 17 Miles Road and 10C Beals Cove Road. The February sewer bill abatement for 14 Wompatuck Road and the March sewer bill abatements for 8 Franklin Rodger Road and 75 Wompatuck Road.

Vote: Mr. Fisher made a motion to approve the submitted sewer abatements for January, February and March sewer abatements; seconded by Dr. Eisen, as presented.

Superintendent Report

Mr. Tierney gave his Superintendent report.

Budget

- Operations Budget – FY27 has been approved by ADCOMM / FY26 Budget is good
- Capital Improvements – Working with Weston & Sampson Services to get some repairs and Improvements completed

Operations

- Working with Weston & Sampson Services to determine next meter replacement and/or installation priorities
- Utilizing town's private street list to develop a more detailed private sewer system list.
- Working with Weston & Sampson Services on repairs to stations to finish out FY26.

Rt. 3A Broad Cove Force Main Bid

- Dig It Construction completed the abandonment of the sewer manholes and existing force main.
- Final paving postponed until after we complete Stoddard's Neck – approved by MassDOT.
- Credit was applied to the existing contract and added to next year's contract.
- Final Cost will be reported to the board at our next meeting.
- Phase 2 – Force Main extension from Shipyard Drive to Stoddard Neck is under final review.

I/I Analysis

- I/I report has been provided to the Commission for their information.
- Report under review by Assistant Town Engineer
- We are working with Weston & Sampson Engineers to get the manholes rehabilitated.

HMLP Billing / WRWS

- Water billing on track for July 1, 2026
- Sewer billing will be brought into the system no later than July 1, 2027

The Sewer Commission continued their meeting to attend the League of Women's Voters Candidates Night at Hingham Town Hall, Central Meeting Room at 7:00pm.

The Sewer Commission meeting adjourned at 7:30 pm.

Documents:

1. Minutes – 1/21/26
2. 109 Weir Street Sewer Connection Application
3. 109 Weir Street Site Layout Plans C-1, C-2, C-3
4. 109 Weir Street Building Plans – 1/15/26
5. 10/27/22 & 11/10/22– Sewer Minutes

6. 109 Weir Street – Drohan Tocchio & Morgan P.C. – Sewer extension request letter
7. Sewer As Built Plan 109-111 Weir Street – 3/19/23
8. 109 Weir Street Minor Site Plan Approval Application – 11/13/25
9. BOH Memo to Commission – 3/11/26