

SALEM WATER DEPARTMENT

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July 13, 2016 Board Meeting

- There are 309 meters in service.
- I have been on light duty because of my injury. It is getting better every day and I hope to be 100% soon.
- The monthly water sample required by the D.O.H. MET the bacteriological requirements for a public water supply as set forth in subpart 5-1.5 of the State Sanitary Code under Public Health Law 225. The test was done at the Salem Central School.
- I have done my 2nd quarter Ir and Mn test. Our next test will be in September.
- Regular upkeep and maintenance was performed.
- We ordered needed spare parts for the operations of our chemical pumps.
- We turned the fire hydrant at the “new fire house” 45% or so at the request of the firemen. That hydrant is back in service.
- I have made a yearly water report for the billing year of 2016. I have 1 copy that will be left at the water office and the other copy is for the town office. In the report there is upcoming projects + plans, overview, annual water quality report, 2016 sample schedule, yearly output all wells / DOH operation reports, and meter reading information.
- I have 2 water samples that are coming up soon. I will be needing to do Nitrate and Disinfection Byproducts / stage 2 in the month of July.
- I do have 2 new forms I would like to send out to home owners after our next meter reading. I would like to give a notice to home owners that have leaks and also one to try setting up dates and times to fix no reads. Everyone has a copy of both. If you see anything that you want changed on them please tell me.
- I have got prices for 2 new test kits that are needed for our day to day work. These have to be replaced every now and then to keep our reads the best we can. Old meter’s reading might not be true. I would like to get some tools to keep in the “water vehicle” and the town barn in case there is an emergency in the system and we need a fast response. The safety items I want are reflective “out of service” rings that go in the fire hydrants – this way if one is out of service it can be visible to everyone not to use that hydrant. When we put a black bag over an out of service Hydrant anyone could remove it. With the rings you need to remove the caps to install or remove.

• (No-low lead in brass law) I want to update my water spare parts so we will be able to meet the requirements of the EPA and not get into trouble. I want to have (2) ¾", (2) 1", (1) 1 ½", and (1) 2" full meter hookup on hand and will replace parts when needed. I will be scrapping all non compliance parts so we do not have them in the inventory so I will not get in trouble for have it on hand, I will not get myself in trouble over something that I know should not be on hand. » I have been working on price quotes that will be for pulling well #3 to clean it and try to get it back into the 3 day rotation. This is requested by the DOH to do. My goal with the wells is to pull and clean 1 well every year so that every 3rd year we will start over. » I came up with a bid sheet for the cleaning and inspections of the water tank. Im hoping to get bids back and be able to have this done this summer/fall. This is also requested from the DOH to do. My goal with the tank is to inspect it every 3 years and do an inspection and cleaning every 6th year. » General Controls needs to fix our water computer so that the chemical pumps don't change auto anymore so we have to do it by hand. I think that this will help regulate chemicals used and make the reads more consistent. When they are here I am also going to have them fix the auto dial system – this is required by the DOH to have and in running order.

Thank You,

Eric Rogers

Class C Water Plant Operator

* The water systems Rules and Regulations should be updated. The last update was 3/2/2011. Numbers over 5 years can change a lot and with it being Town run the town should update the rules and regulations to meet what you deem correct.

* If any Town Board Member would like to see what we do or how the water plant runs please let me know and we could meet sometime and I can give you a tour. This way you can be better informed on what is done and why I might ask for something. I can give you a quick basic idea on how the system runs. This will give you a better idea on what's needed on a day to day basest.

(Lead free brass, Rules and Reg's, test kits – tools – safety, general controls, water report, Tank bid info)

