



## CITY OF NEW BEDFORD

JONATHAN F. MITCHELL, MAYOR

May 5, 2016

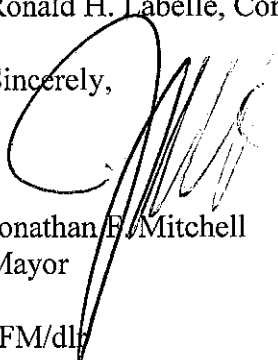
City Council President Linda M. Morad and  
Honorable Members of the City Council  
133 William Street  
New Bedford, MA 02740

Dear Council President Morad and Honorable Members of the City Council:

I am submitting for your approval a **SEWER ABATEMENT** for Linda L. Solomon, 66 Russell Street, New Bedford, MA, account number 1011306 in the amount of \$78.85.

I have attached correspondence for your review on this sewer abatement request from Ronald H. Labelle, Commissioner of the Department of Public Infrastructure.

Sincerely,

  
Jonathan F. Mitchell  
Mayor

JFM/dlb  
attachments



## Department of Public Infrastructure

Ronald H. Labelle  
Commissioner

### CITY OF NEW BEDFORD

Jonathan F. Mitchell, Mayor

Water  
Wastewater  
Highways  
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Cemeteries

### MEMORANDUM

TO: MAYOR JONATHAN F. MITCHELL  
FROM: RONALD H. LABELLE, COMMISSIONER, DPI  
DATE: APRIL 27, 2016  
RE: SEWER ABATEMENT REQUEST

LINDA L. SOLOMON  
66 RUSSELL STREET  
ACCOUNT# 1011306

Attached, for your review, is correspondence related to the above referenced sewer abatement request.

The circumstances associated with this request have been investigated by the Department of Public Infrastructure, Wastewater Division. As the result of the investigation, the shut off valves located in cellar were replaced and water drained into pit and not into the wastewater collection system. I would recommend that a credit of \$78.85 be allowed.

Should you be in agreement, I would ask that you communicate the abatement recommendation to the City Council.

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**CONSUMPTION FORM**

ACCOUNT #		1011306	
CONSUMER:		LINDA L. SOLOMON	
ADDRESS:		66 RUSSELL STREET	
ITEM	BILLING DATE	CCF'S	READ TYPE
1	September 1, 2014	5	A
2	October 1, 2014	10	A
3	November 1, 2014	12	A
4	December 1, 2014	6	A
5	January 1, 2015	3	A
6	February 1, 2015	6	A
7	March 1, 2015	3	A
8	April 1, 2015	3	A
9	May 1, 2015	2	A
10	June 1, 2015	3	A
11	July 1, 2015	4	A
12	August 1, 2015	8	A
13	September 1, 2015	7	A
14	October 1, 2015	5	A
15	November 1, 2015	4	A
16	December 1, 2015	6	A
17	January 1, 2016	4	A
18	February 1, 2016	6	A
19	March 1, 2016	25	A
20	April 1, 2016	5	A
	TOTAL CONSUMPTION	127	
AVERAGE (= TOTAL CONSUMPTION / 20 MONTHS)		6	
		CCF TO ABATE (= BILLED - AVERAGE)	
MARCH 1, 2016	BILLED @ 25 CCF	19	
Total CCF to abate		19	
Sewer Rate		\$4.15	
Total \$ to abate		\$78.85	

April 8, 2016

Ronald Labelle  
C/o Erin Lopes  
Department of Public Infrastructure  
Office of the Commissioner  
1105 Shawmut Avenue  
New Bedford, MA 02746

Dear Mr. Labelle,

RE: Bill Number: 7039080  
Acct. #: 1011306  
Customer #: 405502

On February 17, 2016 my water Pipe burst in my basement. I had no idea how long the water had been running. The only reason that I found out, is because my home had become extremely cold and I needed to see why I had no heat or hot water pressure.

Later that evening, I had my brother come over and go into my basement to check on the heat and that's when I was informed that I had a major water pipe burst situation.

My brother tried his best to turn off the water, but could not. He ran across the street to my neighbor. With the neighbor's help, they were able to stop the rapid flow of water that was rushing from the pipes.

My neighbor and brother noticed that both Shut-off valves had burst, and were thrown from the wall.

It is estimated that the water ran, unnoticed for approximately 1 1/2 days, at 1 gallon per 5 seconds.

I recently received my water bill, dated 3/15/16 in the amount of \$168.65, which I have paid on 4/6/16, check #153.

Please note that my monthly bills have never exceeded over \$50.00 per Month. This is why I am requesting an Abatement regarding this bill if possible.

Thanking You in Advance,

Linda Lee Solomon  
66 Russell Street  
New Bedford, MA 02740  
(617) 424-9371

