

“If we have the city run our water like they do our city, we will not be able to afford our water.”

- Richard Orszulak

“Please tell the voters again how you’re going to run Pennichuck Water Works after showing us your inability to run the city?”

- Bill Sutton, *The Telegraph*, August 24, 2005,
referring to the Board of Aldermen

- No budget for more than a month into the fiscal year
- Cuts to key public safety and education areas
- The threat of pink slips
- A 4.3 percent property tax increase
- Potential residential property tax increases of another 4 to 5 percent

At this time of tax increases and budget cuts, the city thinks nothing of allocating an additional \$400,000 in the 2006 budget to attempt a hostile takeover of a well-run 153-year-old company. Does this make sense?

It's time for fiscal responsibility. Wasteful spending has got to stop.

Just think of what could be done with the more than 1.2 million dollars the city has already committed to the battle with Pennichuck . . . and the millions and perhaps tens of millions more it will cost in the years ahead.

Now is the time to be heard. Ask your elected officials the hard questions. Demand fiscal responsibility. You can make a difference.

Register on www.SmartWater.org today. Tell city officials you're tired of them spending your money foolishly.



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