



BOARD OF WATER COMMISSIONERS MEETING MINUTES

Date: August 18, 2022

Time: 4:30 PM

Location: Norwell Water Dept.
345 Main Street, Norwell

Present: Fred St. Ours, Steve Ivas, Peter Dillon and Water Superintendent Jason Federico

Prepared by: Jason Federico

Meeting Minutes from 7-14-22:

The Board approved minutes from July 14th; all in favor.

Pumping Levels:

Jason Federico discussed status of lower well levels and decreased pumping capacity at all sources.

Replacement Meter @ Forest Street:

Jason Federico updated the board relative to on-going work to attempt to gain access to replace meter. The plan is to have the meter reader make another attempt in fall.

Water Enforcement & Well List:

Jason Federico informed the Board that usage has been trending down. He believed due to the enforcement patrols as well as rain.

Abatement for 4 Doris Ave:

The Board agreed to reduce the residents bill to the same amount for Quarter 1 of Fiscal 23

Abatement for 1033 Main Street:

Discussion was held over until the next meeting where the interrogation report can be reviewed.

Service Connection Fees:

The Board reviewed calculation of potential increase provided by Jason Federico. The Board voted to change the connection fee for new connections 2-inches or less to \$7,000 and voted to give a \$3,000 discount to new applicants that had an occupancy permit prior to 5/1/2017. New fees effective 9/1/2022.

FY22 Year End Financials:

Jason Federico discussed the year end summary financials provided in draft form from Town Accountant.

Water Rates and Capital Plan:

Jason Federico showed Board draft Capital Plan he had developed, and associated rate increase to attempt to cover the new capital needs in the system. The Board determined the goal to decided on a potential increase by end of September.

Projects:

Jason Federico updated the board on the following:

- Generator partially installed at Well #5 and Paradise Drive. Both should be complete by end of September.
- South Street design was continuing.
- Booster tank improvements are being slowly completed.
- Pressure monitoring will be done on High Street to determine current effects.
- Board Approved replacement of two clear well pumps at South Street
- Board approved clearing work to be done at Paradise drive tank.

PFAS Update:

PFAS levels are still elevated at South Street, a mailing was sent out today.

Unanticipated Items:

Fred St. Ours brought up the request from Jill McInnis to name the South Street Water Treatment Plant after Jack McInnis. The Board will look at the option for recognition of Jack's service to the Town at the site in the future.

Accepted: _____

_____ Date: 9/15/22