



BOARD OF WATER COMMISSIONERS MEETING MINUTES

Date: December 15, 2022

Time: 4:30 PM

Location: Norwell Water Dept.
345 Main Street, Norwell

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

Guest: Glenn Ferguson

Prepared by: Donna Snow

Meeting Minutes from 12/08/22:

Peter Dillon motioned to approve the meeting minutes from December 8th, Fred St. Ours seconded; all in favor at 4:57pm

Water Quality:

Peter Dillon inquired about the water quality issues today on River Street. The office also had calls from Tiffany Rd and Pleasant Street today. Jason Federico explained staff repaired a water main break on EA Joseph Drive, the saddle broke at the end of the street. Jason Federico has reached out to the leak detection contractor today to see if a leak exists in the vicinity of where the calls are originating from. Jason Federico also explained he wants to flush from the South Street Treatment Plant across to Tiffany Road possibly on Monday. Jason Federico explained they need to do flushing, Peter Dillon asked if we have the water available to do that.

Highway Department:

Jason Federico met with Glenn Ferguson earlier today to review FY21 expenditures for restocking the highway yard and moving out the debris. After some discussion with Glenn Ferguson; Peter Dillon motioned to transfer 15k, Steve Ivas seconded and all in favor at 5:33pm. Jason Federico will determine what line item to take funds from. Glenn Ferguson had previously discussed purchasing GPS equipment jointly with water department. Both Jason Federico and Glenn Ferguson share similar civil engineering backgrounds and are adept with GIS. Future discussion should be held relative to GPS equipment for water gates and catch basin locations, cost is around \$25k but it could be a shared expense between Highway and Water. Glenn Ferguson explained he has 1,500-1,600 catch basins and he would like to have them mapped out.

PFAS Update:

The first payment was made to AqueoUS Vets for the Pfas project, the second invoice was presented for approval tonight.

FY24 Budget

Budget worksheets were reviewed by all present, Jason Federico added in actuals to the revenue, he still needs to make changes. Jason Federico meets with accounting tomorrow to see if he can add a line item for the media change out.

Main Street Water Line:

Jason Federico presented documents requiring the Boards review from US Pipelining LLC. Peter Dillon noted an article is needed for the project. Jason Federico explained he may piggyback on work being done by the gas company for this work. The water main under the culvert is in ground water and from the 1960's so it makes sense to do it now while work is being done.

Additional Unanticipated Items:

- Future Town Hall plans were discussed and some discussion regarding the St. Helens land.
- The hydrant flushing schedule for spring was reviewed with the Board.
- A new analyzer was put in today but there was no flow for about two hours, then it finally let go and all analyzer lines are clear. Every month the line will be flushed, a schedule has been posted to make sure it continues to be cleared.

Peter Dillon made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 6:32 PM, seconded by Steve Ivas.

Accepted: Steve Ivas Date: 05 JAN 23