

Minutes of the Meeting of the  
Warner Village Water District Commissioners  
At 9:00 A.M. on  
August 27, 2018 at the Treatment Plant

Present: Peter Newman and Dan Lavoie, Commissioners; Ray Martin, Administrator; Chuck Come. Superintendent; and Jim McLaughlin, Clerk. Also, Jim Bingham, Town Administrator; and Tim Allen, Public Works Director.

**Approval of Meeting Minutes**

The minutes of the Commissioners' regular meetings held on July 9, 2018 and August 13, 2018 were approved as submitted. There was no meeting on July 23, 2018, due to a lack of a quorum.

**Town Hall Water Supply Project**

Discussion took place with regard to the water main project to provide fire suppression capability in the Town Hall. Chuck reported that upon digging at the existing water main in Kearsarge Mountain Road, 8 inch pipe, according to available plans, it was discovered that the pipe is actually 6 inch pipe. Further excavation work was suspended pending a re-evaluation by the engineer. It was determined that while possible to run a 6 inch instead of the 8 inch pipe from the street this could severely jeopardize the water carrying capacity of the new connection, due to the age of the street main and likely build-up of deposits in the line. In addition, lead joints in the main present potential health risks that should be addressed.

An alternate solution was discussed that would replace the water main in Kearsarge Mountain Road with a new 8 inch pipe from Main Street up to Church Street, at a minimum. The potential of extending this 8 inch line further up was discussed. Tim said that this street is scheduled for repaving in the next year or two and any water main replacement should be done before that work commences. He also voiced concern about the condition of the storm drain and plans to carry out a video survey of it.

Chuck offered that the material costs for extending the water main to Church Street would be about \$5,500. He said that a grant from DES could be applied for to reduce the District's expense. There was a general consensus that this expanded project scope would be the better approach but that this would put any actual work off until next year. Jim Bingham offered to cooperate with the District in applying for grants that may be available. The Commissioners voted to move ahead to seek financial assistance from DES and other sources.

**Administrator's Report**

Ray reported that State approval for the effluent discharge to groundwater project is expected any day now. He read key points from an addendum to EPA's administrative order concerning the new copper and phosphorous effluent limits. This addendum sets forth a schedule of milestones to be followed by the District. Chuck said that the District is on course to meet these new milestones, pending the receipt of State approval. September 28, 2021 is given as the final date for achieving construction and operation of the groundwater injection system.

Ray also advised that Tim Blagden is working on the purchase and sales agreement for the subject property. Tim is aware of and has consented to allowing test well and other sampling work to be carried out on the parcel of land. Chuck raised a concern that the District needs to get access over the piece of abutting Town-owned property to allow equipment to get to the groundwater injection site. Ray will talk to Jim Bingham.

Ray distributed the revenue and expense reports as of the end of July. Revenues appear to be coming in somewhat behind budget, but should be okay for the year. Payments from Eversource appear to be exceeding budget. Ray went over expenses which are a little over budget, but include several one-time payments. So the overall look is good.

Ray said he has sent in District financial report to DRA.

**Superintendent's Report**

Chuck reported that he and Stan have been busy performing maintenance work on the treatment plant, including reshingling the garage roof. Chuck said that the Ford Ranger truck is in need of replacement. The 2007 vehicle has 225,000 miles on it and has serious wiring and other problems. The Commissioners agreed to include money in the 2019 budget for a replacement. Chuck advised that the Toyota Tacoma truck would be the best choice, in terms of low maintenance and operating costs. The price is \$33,000.

Ray advised Chuck to consider other major expenditures that should be in the next year's budget. Jim McLaughlin offered to draft projects to be included in the District's capital improvements program.

Meeting adjourned at 10:35 AM.

The next Commissioners meeting – Monday, September 10th at 9:00AM.

Recorded by Jim McLaughlin, Clerk.