

Minutes of the Meeting of the
Warner Village Water District Commissioners
At 9:00 A.M. on
February 26, 2020 at the Treatment Plant

Present: Peter, Newman, and Peter Savlen, Commissioners; Ray Martin, Administrator; Chuck Come, Superintendent; and Jim McLaughlin, Clerk.

Approval of Meeting Minutes

The minutes of the Commissioners' regular meetings held on February 26, 2020 were approved as submitted.

Superintendent's Report

Chuck reported that the two pumps at the McDonalds lift station need to be replaced. The cost is \$1,000 each, and this replacement needs to be done to ensure this critical installation continues to serve the Businesses at Exit 9. Chuck noted that the control system needs to be upgraded. Also the floats that are part of the system operation are rusting and should be replaced.

On the topic of the variable frequency control system being planned for the wells, Chuck recommended that Barry Miller who will do this installation also be asked to give the District a cost estimate of drilling a new back-up well. Cleaning of the older well #1 has been carried out more frequently as the surficial material around the wellhead becomes more packed as well as a build-up of oxides and iron. It seems that the cost of periodic surging the well at \$10,000 per incident is not money well spent. A new well, equipped with the VFD pump controls to be in place soon will make for a more stable, long-term water supply. However, with other major projects planned for this year, a new back-up well at about \$50,000 is not in the cards for this year.

The Commissioners discussed the need this year to tackle the manhole raising and cover replacement on Main Street that will be necessary given the NHDOT's repaving project this summer. The cost estimate for this project is \$30,000. Chuck said he has the necessary contractor lined up to do the work.

Chuck also reported on the process of taking water samples at the plant and changes in measures to prevent freezing of the wash basin used to sample, such as a temperature-sensitive switch to control a heater.

Administrator's Report

Ray discussed the audit that was conducted by Plodzick and Saunders recently. He reviewed the Commissioners' questionnaire concerning their awareness of any fraud or other irregularities affecting the District's operations and personnel. Their responses were recorded on the questionnaire sheet provided which Ray will return to the auditors.

Ray also advised the Commissioners about the energy audit of the water and sewer operations that is being conducted at Eversource and NHDES' expense. He noted the possibility that at least two of the District's electricity-using facilities may be eligible for financial assistance, namely the McDonalds pump station upgrade and the VFD system at the wells.

Ray reminded the Commissioners of the annual meeting next Tuesday, March 17 at 7 PM.

The meeting was adjourned at 10:30 AM.

The next regular meeting will be March 25, 2020.

Recorded by Jim McLaughlin, Clerk.