Minutes of the Meeting of the Warner Village Water District Commissioners At 4:30 P.M. on February 28, 2024 at the Treatment Plant

Present: Dan Lavoie, Herm Blanchette and Shaun Murphy, Commissioners; Ray Martin, Administrator; Chuck Come, Superintendent; and Jim McLaughlin, Clerk. Justin Skelly and David Prickett of DPC by phone.

Approval of Meeting Minutes

The minutes of the Commissioners' regular meeting held on February 14, 2024 were approved as submitted.

Administrator's Report

The Commissioners signed the warrant for the 2024 District Annual Meeting. Ray will post this by Monday, next. The annual meeting will be on March 19, at 7:00 P.M.

Ray advised that a change order to the scope of our contract with Horizon Engineering needs to be approved, increasing the amount from \$175,000 to \$230,000, reflecting additional work performed by the consultant. After discussion, the Commissioners approved this change. No further involvement with Horizon is anticipated.

A conference call was initiated with Justin Skelly and Dave Prickett of DPC Engineering. The thrust of their consulting services will be improvements to the treatment plant to remove copper in the treated effluent to the EPA standard allowed for discharge into the Warner River. The change in approach from groundwater to surface water discharge has been dictated by NHDES and will involve a high-end tertiary treatment solution. The consultant agreed to meet at the District offices with the Commissioners at our next meeting date or at another mutually convenient date and time. Ray asked the consultants if they would be interested in carrying out a study, funded by a federal grant of \$45,000 to investigate the sources of copper in the plant influent. This can be followed up at the next meeting.

After the phone call, the Commissioners discussed the possibility of pursuing the groundwater RIB project if the composition of the surficial material on the site were to be changed by importing and incorporating more suitable soil that would resolve DES' objection to the limited dilution of the native soil there. This issue will be addressed with DPC engineers at the upcoming meeting.

Ray reviewed the January financial report. Revenue is low for this month as expected. Expenditures are normal.

The meeting adjourned at 4:30 P.M.

The next Commissioners meeting will be on March 13 at 3:30 P.M. or at another date/time to be determined.

Recorded by James F. McLaughlin, Clerk