

**RYE WATER DISTRICT
MEETING AGENDA**

December 18, 2020 – 10:00 a.m.
Via Zoom

Commissioners Present:

Tom Clifford, Chair
Art Ditto
Ralph Hickson

Others Present:

Arik Jones, Superintendent
Dyana Ledger, Business Manager

I. Call to Order

Chair Clifford called the meeting to order at 10:00 a.m.

Statement by Tom Clifford:

As chair of the Rye Water District Commission, I find that due to the State of Emergency declared by the Governor as a result of the COVID-19 pandemic and in accordance with the Governor's Emergency Order #12 pursuant to Executive Order 2020-04, this public body is authorized to meet electronically.

Please note that there is no physical location to observe and listen contemporaneously to this meeting, which was authorized pursuant to the Governor's Emergency Order. However, in accordance with the Emergency Order, I am confirming that we are providing public access to the meeting by telephone, with additional access possibilities by video and other electronic means. We are utilizing Zoom for this electronic meeting. All members of the board have the ability to communicate contemporaneously during this meeting through this platform, and the public has access to contemporaneously listen and, if necessary, participate in this meeting by clicking on the following website address: www.zoom.com
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Roll call attendance of commissioners:

1. Tom Clifford
2. Ralph Hickson
3. Art Ditto

II. Review of Encumbered Funds

Chair Clifford noted that the Commissioners found it necessary to unencumber the funds that were encumbered at the December 2nd meeting for the new generator.

Motion by Art Ditto to rescind the prior vote to encumber \$55,000 for the purchase of a generator for the Bailey Brook/Cedar Run Well Complex. Seconded by Ralph Hickson. Roll Call: Tom Clifford – Yes; Art Ditto – Yes; Ralph Hickson – Yes
Motion passed

III. Budget Update

The Commissioners will be meeting on December 30th to work on the 2021 Budget. There were no questions on the budget at this time.

IV. Other Business

Chair Clifford reported that Zach Malpass called him to find out what was going on with the easement process. He told Mr. Malpass that he spoke with Attorney Bill Scott right after the Commissioner's meeting on December 2nd. At that time, Mr. Malpass had said that he did not want to do any business with anybody in the Town, until his issues with the Town were resolved. Chair Clifford noted that he relayed this information to Bill Scott and told him to hold off on doing any further effort this year. He is not sure where the District stands with the other abutter Mr. Bean.

Commissioner Ditto commented that he believes they are pretty much set with Mr. Bean. If the well is permitted, it is just a matter of adjusting the sanitary radius and dropping the one for the existing well. Mr. Bean will be given a right-of-way to access his property. This work will probably also be done by Attorney Scott.

Commissioner Hickson noted that Attorney Scott finalized the agreement with Mr. Bean. He asked Chair Clifford if Mr. Malpass has finished his business with the Town.

Chair Clifford replied no. He continued that Mr. Malpass is not against giving the District a sanitary radius on his property. He just does not want to do any business with the District until his business with the Town is resolved.

No further business came before the Commissioners.

Adjournment

Motion by Art Ditto to adjourn at 10:12 p.m. Seconded by Ralph Hickson.

Roll Call: Tom Clifford – Yes; Art Ditto – Yes; Ralph Hickson – Yes

Motion passed

Respectfully Submitted,
Dyana F. Ledger