

RYE WATER DISTRICT MEETING

March 2, 2022 – 9:00 a.m.
Water District Office – 60 Sagamore Rd.

Commissioners Present:

Ralph Hickson, Chair
Tom Clifford
Art Ditto

Others Present:

Arik Jones, Superintendent
Dyana Ledger, Business Manager

I. Call to Order

Chair Hickson called the meeting to order at 9:00 a.m.

II. Approval of Minutes

- February 2nd

Motion by Art Ditto to approve the minutes of February 2, 2022, as amended. Seconded by Ralph Hickson. Vote: 2-0-1 Abstained: Tom Clifford

III. Superintendent's Monthly Report, Pumping Chart, and Data Report, and Bacteria Tests for February

Superintendent Jones presented his monthly report and data charts to the Commissioners for the month of February.

- The pumping totals are in line with January's totals. There is a decrease of almost a million gallons pumped in February as compared to February 2021.
- The Garland well upgrade has reached substantial completion. There have been no issues with the operations.
- A substantial completion start-up meeting is scheduled with Wright-Pierce for Wednesday, March 9th at 9:00. Apex and Wright-Pierce will be walking through the pump house to confirm operation of equipment.
- The Bailey Brook well pump has been replaced. Final connections for the transducer will be completed this month.
- Water Operator Greg Vaillancourt will be attending the backflow certification classes March 16th through 18th.

- A draft interconnection agreement was received from Aquarion Water. Superintendent Jones submitted the draft to the Commissioners for review, along with the Planning Board conditions of approval for the Hector's site and Benchmark. It was noted that the development for the Hector's site is anticipated to begin in late spring.
- Superintendent Jones sent the Conservation Commission a letter in regards to vernal pool identification for the property off South Road. RCC will be addressing the letter at their next meeting on March 10th. The work is anticipated to begin in the spring. The scope of the project also involves the restoration of the vernal pools.

Motion by Art Ditto to accept the Superintendent Report for the month of February. Seconded by Tom Clifford. All in favor.

IV. Cash Flow Reports for January

The Commissioners reviewed the cash flow reports for the month of January. No issues or concerns were noted.

Motion by Art Ditto to accept the cash flow reports for January. Seconded by Tom Clifford. All in favor.

V. Treasurer's Report - December *Not available*

VI. Correspondence *None*

VII. Old Business

a. Selectmen's Route 1 Water and Sewer meeting

The Commissioners agreed that for future meetings with the Select Board, they would like to know the purpose of the meeting and the expected role of the Water District. The Select Board has requested another meeting with RWD. Superintendent Jones will follow up with Town Administrator Bergeron to find out the topic to be discussed and what information the Select Board is expecting from the Water District. A date for the meeting is to be determined.

b. Irrigation Systems By-Law: Development of a Requirement for Irrigation System Installation instructions

Commissioner Ditto will continue to work on a draft for the requirements for irrigation systems, which may be considered as a zoning amendment or building code requirement.

VIII. New Business *None*

IX. Town Planning and Zoning Minutes
There were no issues or concerns noted.

X. Other Business

a. Operator Position Posting

The Commissioners reviewed the job posting for the open water operator position. It was agreed to add the salary range and benefits to the posting. The Commissioners agreed the position can be posted on the water district's website, the towns' website, and both the Granite State Water Works Association and N.H. State Water Works Association websites.

Adjournment

Motion by Art Ditto to adjourn at 11:00 a.m. Seconded by Tom Clifford. All in favor.

Respectfully Submitted,
Dyana F. Ledger