

MOUNTAIN LAKES DISTRICT
WATER COMMITTEE MEETING via Zoom Video Conferencing
May 6, 2021
***UNAPPROVED**

Chair Patricia Brady read a statement that the Committee was authorized to meet electronically due to the declared state of emergency (COVID-19), that the meeting had been properly noticed and information given to the public on how to join the meeting via Zoom Video Conferencing, and that all votes would be by roll call, in accordance with the provisions of the Governor's emergency order.

Committee Roll Call: Patricia Brady (alone), Robert Roudebush (with Ken King), Mark Johanson (alone), Ed Rajsteter (alone), Ken King (with Robert Roudebush) and Don Drew (Maintenance/Water Project Manager-alone) were present via Zoom.

Guests Present: Bob Long and Jim Vernon from Nobis Engineering were present via Zoom.

Call to Order: Patricia Brady called the meeting to order at 8:00 am.

Minutes Approval – April 1, 2021: Robert Roudebush moved to approve the minutes; Mark Johanson seconded. Roll Call Vote: Patricia Brady-Aye, Robert Roudebush-Aye, Mark Johanson-Aye, Don Drew-Aye, Ed Rajsteter-Aye, Ken King-Aye, and motion passed.

Water Sourcing Project: Jim Vernon from Nobis Engineering led the Committee in discussion of the Nobis Contract Amendment #6 for oversight services in the upcoming test drilling phase of the water project. He also went over the cost estimate from Hartley Well Drilling, noting prices in some areas went up, and recommended asking for a price on an 80-foot drilling depth instead of 100-feet, and asking for other specs to be confirmed and priced. He noted for both the French Pond Road site and Valley Road site the sand size will determine the screen size needed; they may have to use something different than what Hartley brings with them if different slot size is needed. ***The Committee agreed Don Drew and Jim Vernon will contact Hartley for a new quote and other pricing questions.*** Don Drew suggested starting with the Valley Road site, then moving to the French Pond Road site; and noted it looks like the project will start around the second week in June.

Water System Update:

Don Drew said usage is at an average of 20 to 25 thousand gallons per day with weekends running up to 30,000 gpd.

Incident Report:

High water usage investigation led a home on Swiftwater which had a broken valve in the basement; the valve was repaired and the chambers recovered quickly. A power failure was reported; power has been restored and the system is running normally now.

OLD BUSINESS:

- **Low salt signs and implementation:** Don Drew will purchase low-salt area signs (50% less) and he will check with Haverhill Road Agent Colton Grant to get sign locations and to assure purchase of the correct signs. Bob Long said Town Manager Brigitte Codling asked about research evidence showing

the effects of salt usage on the Lakes. She said the low-salt area would be on a trial-basis; if more accidents result, they may go back to 100% salt. **Bob Long will respond to her with research documents and information.**

New Business:

- **Stan Davis Water Fees Agreement:** Bob Long reported Stan Davis paid a water hook-up fee for his Cranmore Drive property, but sold it before he built on it and asked that the hook-up fee be transferred to his Carr Road project. After reaching a written agreement regarding the transfer, the hook-up fee was transferred. The property is in Bath so Stan Davis will pay the Bath yearly water fee for the property.
- **American Rescue Plan Act (ARPA):** Bob Long said he is participating in the weekly calls on this legislation and has sent questions to the organizers, but they are still working on the formulas to award funds for village districts.
- **Dam Inspection:** Don Drew said the dam inspection went well and the inspector was very pleased overall. He said there are a couple of things to monitor and no official report has been received yet, but when it is, he will share more information with the Committee.
- **New Service:** Don Drew noted that water service was connected to a new home on the corner of Deerfield Drive and Amherst Lane.

Adjournment: Patricia Brady moved to adjourn. Mark Johanson seconded. Roll Call Vote: Patricia Brady-Aye, Robert Roudebush-Aye, Mark Johanson-Aye, Don Drew-Aye, Ed Rajsteter-Aye, Ken King-Aye, and motion passed. The meeting adjourned at 8:47 am.

Respectively submitted by,
Kristi Garofalo