MOUNTAIN LAKES DISTRICT WATER COMMITTEE SPECIAL EMERGENCY MEETING

at the District Office and via Zoom September 21, 2023 *UNAPPROVED*

Call to Order: Chair Ed Rajsteter called the meeting to order at 8:14am.

Roll Call:

--Committee: Ex-officio Mark Johanson and Facility & Water Manager John Mitchell were present in person; Ed Rajsteter (alone) and Christine Dunster (alone) were present via Zoom due to being out of town. Ed Rajsteter previously stated in an email to Committee members that he was calling the meeting "because of the urgency due to the need for the Water Committee to meet to discuss the State of NH Loan Request for Public Water Systems". He said in the email that, "Because of the nature and urgency of this matter, the need for physical presence for a quorum is not necessary," and at the meeting he declared a quorum present.

--Public Present In-Person: Bob Long Via Zoom: None

MEETING TOPIC: State of NH Loan Requests for Public Water Systems Grant Program

Bob Long spoke of the grant program, noting this program has a more involved application process. He suggested the Committee concentrate on the water clarity issues in the King-Dartmouth-Hanover area and request funding to replace the water line in the area. John Mitchell gave a timeline of issues in that area and noted the pipes are choked with buildup from years of service. He related his conversation with Cynthia Blevins of NH DES who recommended replacing the main to eliminate the buildup and solve the current clarity problem.

The Committee discussed a map showing priority areas to be replaced. The highest priority area was 2,716 feet of water line along Dartmouth, Hanover and King at an estimated cost of \$135,800. The Committee discussed the benefits of tying Dartmouth in with King Drive at an estimated cost of \$20,000 to eliminate a dead end in the system. The Committee considered the availability of matching funds, and noted the need to double check measurements and get input from MLD water consultants Harold Clough and Chris Dellinger.

Mark Johanson made a motion to change the map so the red priority area includes completing the Dartmouth tie-in for \$20,00 plus the \$135,800 for the rest of the project to make a total of \$155,800 for the request. Ed Rajsteter seconded. Roll call Vote: Ed Rajsteter-Aye, Mark Johanson-Aye, John Mitchell-Aye, and Christine Dunster-Aye. Motion passed. After further discussion, Mark Johanson withdrew his motion and Ed Rajsteter withdrew his second.

Mark Johanson made a new motion to include the Dartmouth-King tie-in in the request to make a full amount of \$155,800 upon discussion with MLD consultants about the viability of that solution. Ed Rajsteter seconded. Roll call Vote: Ed Rajsteter-Aye, Mark Johanson-Aye, John Mitchell-Aye, and Christine Dunster-Aye. Motion passed.

Bob Long and John Mitchell will get input from MLD water consultants and do the grant paperwork for the Committee to approve at their Oct. 5 meeting.

Adjournment: Ed Rajsteter moved to adjourn and Mark Johanson seconded. Roll call Vote: Ed Rajsteter-Aye, Mark Johanson-Aye, John Mitchell-Aye, and Christine Dunster-Aye. Motion passed and the meeting adjourned at 8:58 am.

Respectfully submitted by, Kristi Garofalo