

Water Commissioner's Monthly Meeting
July 6, 2016

Steve Call, Commissioner
Bruce Merriam, Commissioner
Michael Brown, Water Superintendent
Suzanne Leh, Clerk/Collector
Eileen Tela, District Accountant
Dave Thompson, Finance Committee

Steve Call opened the meeting at 5:30pm and made the motion to accept the minutes of June 1, 2016 as printed. Bruce Merriam seconded. All in favor.

Superintendent's Report –

Following a phone call to Laurel Realty Trust we received the arranged monthly payment of \$1,800.00. A payment had not been received since April. Mike also reminded him that there is a small leak that needs to be addressed.

Zoning meeting for the Mohawk Ramblers was June 29th and the meeting went well and club house/parking was passed unanimously. Now waiting on the Natural Heritage Endangered Species permit.

Mike shared the findings from the State Sanitary Survey. Labeling of a couple chemical tanks was their main concern and he was able to get all the labeling completed at no charge from a local company. Capital Improvement Plan needs to be more in-depth and we need an Asset Management Plan. Mike will contact Tata & Howard regarding the above two reports. He will get a cost from them and present back to the board. Revised sampling plan was signed and returned to DEP.

Bid proposals were posted in the paper today and so far two requests for truck specifics.

Significant leak was found and taken care of on Morris Avenue during random check, estimating 70-80 gallons a minute.

Resident, Lenore Styler of Franklin Commons contacted Mike with concerns about the trees abutting her condo (fire hazard, trees falling on her condo) and asked her to bring these concerns to the board. Area was logged 20+ years ago. Mike does not feel there is a problem. Steve suggested he contact Tom Brule, certified forester to come look and write up his thoughts to present to Ms. Styler.

Ellis Road logging is done for the summer and quite a bit was completed.

They have been keeping a careful watch regarding drought conditions. We are averaging 900,000-1,000,000 gallons a day. Aquifer is very strong. No need for any type of restrictions at this time. Last voluntary restriction we had was in 2012.

Agreements for Superintendent, Operators and Clerk/Collector were presented to the board and accepted and signed.

District Accountant's Report – Eileen handed out the FY16 budgets although not final yet. She discussed with Prudential Board about unemployment benefits for the water department and it will stay in general government.

Clerk/Collector – Total late penalties applied to overdue water invoices was \$4,220.00. Abatements presented and signed by commissioners.

Next meeting scheduled for Tuesday, August 30, 2016 at 4:30pm.
Meeting adjourned at 5:55 pm.