

Water Commissioner's and Finance Committee's Monthly Meeting
January 3, 2018

Bruce Merriam, Chairman
Kenneth Morin, Commissioner
Michael Brown, Superintendent
Suzanne Leh, Clerk/Collector

Dave Thompson, Finance
Donald Reid, Finance

Bruce Merriam opened the meeting at 5:00pm. Ken Morin made the motion to accept the minutes of December 6, 2017. Bruce seconded. All in favor.

General Pierce Bridge – Mike and Kenny met with Don Ouellette & Mark Holley in Greenfield. And everyone seems to be on the same page but all hinges on cost. Tabled for now until state starts presenting plans.

Southworth – Sale pending. Chief Zellmann said a sprinkler let go, and that the building is not being fully heated as they were told to do. Turners Falls Hydro (Swift Hydro) 4" sprinkler line let go over the weekend. Line now shut down, not repaired. Discussion followed about areas still accessible and areas boarded up.

Frozen meters – We have had a couple calls from homeowners for frozen services/meters due to homeowner mistakes.

Water Consumption – Water consumption is way down, lowest Mike has ever seen. This may be contributed to mill shutting down. Unaccounted for water percentage continues to go down.

Lead Gooseneck Program – Six were replaced last year. Mike estimates the approximate cost was \$5-6,000. He will allocate money in the budget so several can be completed every year. Mike would like to be aggressive with this program and customers have been receptive.

Clerk/Collector -- Suzanne presented late fee billing for a total of \$4,220.00. Financial statements from Melanson & Heath were shared, no management letter this year.

Meeting adjourned at 5:30pm.