

Water Commissioner's Monthly Meeting  
April 6, 2016

Ken Morin, Chairman  
Steve Call, Commissioner  
Bruce Merriam, Commissioner  
Michael Brown, Water Superintendent  
Suzanne Leh, Clerk/Collector  
Eileen Tela, District Accountant  
Dave Thompson, Finance Committee  
Steve Constantine, Finance Committee  
Donald Reid, Possible Finance Committee Member

Steve Call opened the meeting at 5:30pm. Bruce Merriam made the motion to accept the minutes of March 2, 2016 as printed. Steve Call seconded. All in Favor.

**Timber** – One bid of 13K was received for wood harvest on dry hill due to road conditions. 5K of that bid would have been used to update the road. Mike bought stone and gravel and the town helped truck it up. Seth Elwood (who won the bid) spread it out. 3K was spent from the budget to repair the road and that will help in the future get farther in to get more wood out. He brought his equipment in and Mike will give him a key. Tom Brule thinks due to amount of cord wood we will generate more than 13K. The road is actually in pretty good shape.

**Tennessee Pipeline** – Mike asked if commissioners had read the GeoInsight report and they had. Bruce spoke with Dave Harwood and told him he thought it was a good report and answered all of our concerns. Ken Morin and Dave Harwood gave the ok to share the report with Walter Ramsey, the town planner as he wanted to share with the selectmen.

GPS hydrants and valves completed and loaded and working properly (rugged tablet).

**Mohawk Ramblers** – We received proposals from their realtor. Appraisal of property was \$38,000-\$50,000. Attorney stated that if term of the lease payments is over \$35,000 we have to go out to bid. Eileen is working with the attorney. He suggested wording of agreement (see article 11). As we don't know the term yet, we can word it as the term lease will be in excess of 3 years. The prudential committee has to sign this too. This is the first step and we will have to do an RFP. *Ken Morin arrived at 5:45pm.*

**District Accountant** – Eileen presented summary of the budgets and special articles. As Fire is requesting to hire two more firefighters she contacted Karen Tonelli, the assessor, to find out the impact on the tax payer. With Karen's information based on Fiscal 16 tax rates, Eileen estimates on a \$100,000 home the increase would be \$13.00 and for a \$200,000 home would be \$26.00. Dave Thompson expressed his objection to the addition of two new firefighters. Eileen will now have to revise the warrant after consulting with the attorney.

Proposed warrants and motions were reviewed and discussed.

**New Truck** – Mike followed up with Ford of Greenfield. He received an estimate of \$51,000.

**Meter Reading** - Began yesterday and Mike hoping to have done in about 3 ½ days.

**Clerk/Collector** – Abatements were presented and signed. Bank reconciliations from the treasurer, Patty Leveille were passed out for review. Suzanne hopes to start sharing a monthly excel worksheet with the commissioners.

Next meeting scheduled for May 4, 2016. Ken made the motion to adjourn at 6:30pm. Bruce seconded.