

West Groton Water Supply District
Minutes of the Monthly Meeting
December 12, 2023

Meeting was called to order @ 6:08 p.m. The following were in attendance:

Bob Blood, Jason Kauppi, Josh West, Commissioners
Paul W. Curtin, General Manager
Dawn Priest, Treasurer

Review of the Monthly Minutes: The November 2023 Monthly Minutes were approved and accepted.

Review of Monthly Invoices/Treasurer's Report: The November 2023 invoices were approved and accepted.

Review of Profit & Loss Statement and Balance Sheet: The Profit & Loss Statement and Balance Sheet for 7/01/23 – 11/30/23 were approved and accepted.

Report of the General Manager

Paul completed his training hours for his license renewals.

Paul said the PFAS Townsend Road results came back and are still in the same range, well under the guidelines. Townsend Road will continue to be tested one time per year and Town Forest will continue to be tested once every other year.

Chemicals have been delivered and we are all set for the winter months.

The quote from Gate City Fence came in at \$2,600 for the remaining work to be done on the Townsend Road Well Field fence damage caused by the microburst. We are moving forward with having them make the repairs.

The master meters were calibrated by AD Instruments.

The DEP is requiring a survey to see if there are any lead service lines that the homeowner will need to replace. The issue would be a lead gooseneck off the water main that connects to a galvanized pipe that runs to the house. Paul said there are no galvanized lines in our District, and therefore no lead goosenecks. Jason asked what it would cost a homeowner to replace a line, in the event one was found. Paul explained that homeowner is responsible ("owns") everything from the main to the house. The cost to a homeowner would easily exceed \$6,000 to replace the line, including digging. Even if there was a lead gooseneck, lead would not be getting in the water. We will need to do the survey, but do not expect any findings of lead.

Paul said Buxton cannot be our on call digger for 2024 due to an injury that will keep him out of work for several months. He will speak with Lagasse and also reach out to Black.

Other Business

We did not exclude from PFAS settlement, per the advice of our attorney, in order to keep more options open to us should an issue ever arise in the future.

The Pepperell Road development will result in a few additional properties being subject to the water district tax. We are in the process of determining which properties are impacted so that we can reach out to the property owners.

As there was no further business, a motion was made and seconded to adjourn the meeting at 7:22 PM.

Respectfully Submitted,

Lisa M. Dearth
Clerk