

**West Groton Water Supply District**  
**Minutes of the Monthly Meeting**  
**March 16, 2021**

Commissioner Blood opened the meeting @ 7:08 p.m. reading a statement that in accordance with the Commonwealth of Massachusetts Open Meeting Law, the meeting is open to the public and the public is welcome to attend; however, the purpose of the meeting is to efficiently conduct and stay focused on the business of the District. Individuals are not permitted to disrupt the meeting and should refrain from comment. Anyone wishing to comment must be recognized by the Chair. If anyone has a matter to discuss with the Board, they should notify the Clerk or Manager 4 days in advance of the meeting to be placed on the Agenda. The following persons were in attendance:

Robert Blood, Doug DeNatale, Emmett Risdon, Commissioners  
Paul W. Curtin, General Manager

**Review of the Monthly Minutes:** The January 2020 Monthly Minutes were approved and accepted. (Note: There was no monthly meeting in February 2021 due to snow.)

**Review of Monthly Invoices/Treasurer's Report:** The January 2021 and February 2021 invoices were approved and accepted.

**Review of Profit & Loss Statement and Balance Sheet:** The Profit & Loss Statement and Balance Sheet for July 1, 2020 – February 28, 2021 were approved and accepted.

**Proposed Budget:** The proposed budget for FY22 was reviewed. The line items were discussed and the total proposed budget of \$882,268.50 was agreed to be the board recommendation.

**Monitoring Wells:** The MESA filing was submitted. We are not allowed to do any work between April 15<sup>th</sup> – October 15<sup>th</sup> unless we bring in a turtle biologist and file a compliance report. We will plan to complete the prior to April 15, 2021 to avoid that requirement. The Conservation Commission met on site on February 6, 2021 with Maura Callahan, and at their meeting on February 9, 2021 determined that an NOI is not necessary and we may proceed without an Order of Conditions. Maura has contacted the drillers and scheduled them to begin the last week of March.

**Any Other Business:**

There was some discussion regarding future anticipated system development fees. Academy Hill is building their last 4 homes now and all system development fees have been paid. We expect 7 total fees from the development being built by R.D. Kanniard at 372 Townsend Road, as there is already a service for 2 homes in place. We anticipate that the development being planned off of Maple Road/Pepperell Road will consist of 16 homes and they are hoping to begin construction this year.

We are anticipating the replacement of the Kemp Street Tank within the next 5 – 10 years.

The Town Forest well will be cleaned in the early fall 2021, once the higher summer usage has passed.

Doug brought up the field that is part of the property at 331 Townsend Road and if it would be beneficial to the District to attempt to purchase that land. After discussion, it was determined that the District would not be further protected by acquiring that property as it is Zone 1 and a septic system cannot be installed on the property.

Doug also brought up the idea of early testing for PFAs and if doing so would be beneficial in any way. After discussion, it was determined that it would not provide any benefit to the District to test early for PFAs and we will begin testing in October 2021 and follow the testing schedule required by DEP.

As there was no further business, a motion was made and seconded to adjourn the meeting @ 8:51 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,

Dawn M. Priest  
Clerk/Treasurer