

**West Groton Water Supply District  
Minutes of the Monthly Meeting  
December 10, 2024**

The meeting was called to order @ 12:10 PM. 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 2024 Monthly Minutes were approved and accepted.

**Review of Monthly Invoices/Treasurer's Report:** The November 2024 invoices were approved and accepted.

**Review of Profit & Loss Statement:** The Profit & Loss Statement for 07/01/23 – 11/30/2024 was approved and accepted.

**Report of the General Manager**

- Conservation Commission Meeting – Paul and Dawn attended the meeting on November 26<sup>th</sup> regarding the grading work done at the white garage. It was agreed that we would:
  1. Move the pipe rack at least 50' from the stream
  2. Plant at least three native trees near the stream
  3. No snow storage within 20' of the stream
  4. Remove trimmed debris/logs from the stream
  5. Twenty feet from the stream is a “no touch” buffer zone.

Official notice of these requirements has not been received. The commission acknowledged that our property is not the cause of or has a negative impact on the neighbor's flooding across the street.

The only cost to meet these requirements will be moving the pipe rack. Paul will either transplant trees or purchase reasonably priced trees when planting conditions are appropriate.

There was discussion regarding the two Groton Herald articles and whether we should respond with an editorial. It was decided to hold off at this time.

- Paul and Alex will organize the two garages in December.

**Other Business**

District Tax – Dawn worked with the accessor's office to reconcile a list of taxable properties. We are now working on a process to establish signing off when parcels are added.

Squannacook River Rail Trail Association – Dawn will contact Peter Cunningham to find out who the contact person is and request to be kept informed about the project status. If the rail trail extension proceeds, we will incur

expenses associated with security such as access gates, additional security cameras, fencing and signage. We will need to obtain pricing to get an idea of what those costs will be.

MBTA – Jason suggested we consider contacting the MBTA to ask about the right of way and a possible purchase of that strip of land.

As there was no further business, a motion was made and seconded to adjourn the meeting at 1:22 PM.

Respectfully Submitted,

Lisa M. Dearth  
Clerk