

BOARD OF WATER COMMISSIONERS MEETING MINUTES

Date: November 29, 2023

Time: 4:30 PM

Location: Norwell Water Dept.

345 Main Street, Norwell

<u>Present:</u> Fred St. Ours, Peter Dillon, and Water Superintendent Jason Federico.

Prepared by: Donna Snow

Meeting Minutes:

FS motioned to approve the meeting minutes from 10/18/23 & 11/1/23; PD seconded; all in favor at 4:41pm

Review Billing for 162 Brigantine Circle:

The resident's old meter was replaced however the mechanic could not grab an actual reading off the equipment. The Board reviewed the usage history and agreed to adjust the bill to 22,000 gallons.

Review Billing for 79 Mt. Blue:

The office was able to adjust the water bill based on the actual reading obtained by the distribution mechanic when they installed new equipment. The office processed an abatement for the resident as requested.

Abatement Request for 6 Cowing's Cove:

The Board did review a request for an abatement due to an irrigation leak. FS suggested billing all of the usage at the lowest tier. The resident provided invoices showing the leak was fixed and did pay two invoices to remedy the situation. Both FS and PD approved the request and the total abatement amount to process will be \$2041.49.

SSTP Filters Update:

JF advised that the filters are in the building on South Street. JF noted a news station contacted him about providing a new story relative to the Town's PFAS filters. JF noted connections are being made to the plumbing therefore Well #1 is offline and will remain off until after filters are in place. Well #6 is running at South Street. JF mentioned conducting sampling at both Well #7 and Well #8 for PFAS.

Signing Authority for Jason:

The Board would like to allow JF to provide a second signature on vouchers for instances when only one Board member is available. Should this become necessary, JF would provide a second signature and the Board will review those vouchers at a subsequent meeting. FS moved to allow authorize JF for a second signature on departmental vouchers, PD seconded and all in favor at 5:16pm.

Unanticipated Items:

Service Line @ 26 Church Street:

JF advised the Board that the resident is seeking reimbursement for \$1,525.00 from damage to her service line. The Board voted to approve the Church Street reimbursement.

Verizon Cell Tower:

JF explained he is working with Verizon relative to a cell tower on Grove Street, this needs to be brought to the attention of the BOS, PD and FS agreed.

Water Rate Increase:

JF wants to discuss a future water rate increase when SI returns.

Jack McInnis's Garden:

The garden will require both Water and Highway to collaboratively clear the site location.

FS made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 5:36 PM, seconded by PD.

Accepted: Stun Jus Date: 04JAN 24