

WATER/SEWER BOARD MEETING MINUTES
MAY 17, 2022

Present: Brittany Frizzell, Mark Vaillancourt, Andy Martin, Kean Galunas, Michael Strait, and Teresa DeBonville. Attending virtually: Bruce Webster, Rodger Sheldon, and Joel Cope.

Chairperson, Brittany Frizzell called the meeting to order at 6:06 PM.

Updates to Agenda: None.

Public Comments: None.

Review Previous minutes: The board reviewed the minutes from the April 18 9, 2022 meeting. A motion was made by Mark Vaillancourt to approve the minutes as printed. Andy Martin seconds the motion. All in favor, so carried.

VHFA Standing: The town clerk has been in contact with the representative from VHFA on a program they are offering to help delinquent user's pay their past due utility bills. The onboarding form has been filed, and it is now in the process of being started.

Water allocations: Carmen Murray has contacted the board on why she must pay the \$49.00 debt service at her property when she has a private well. The board explained to her that because the system runs by her property; and water allocations have been made for her property; that even though she decided to put in a private well she still must pay the debt service because she would be able to connect to the municipal system if she chooses to.

A motion was made by Andy Martin to approve the application from Erik and Morgan Driscoll to hook up to the municipal system. Mark Vaillancourt seconds the motion, all in favor, so carried. The board signed and approved the application.

H2O Innovation comments: Rodger told the board that the meeting for the pre-construction of the Pleasant Street Pump Station was held. Looks like the starting date will be the week of June 6, 2022. Funding for this was discussed with the board and the treasurer.

Rodger asked the board to investigate getting E-911 numbers for all the pump stations. The board agreed this would be a good idea.

Water/Sewer Operators comments: Kean Galunas mentioned to the board that the South Plant was contracted to be painted a couple years ago; but there was still one space on the back wall that hadn't been done yet. Andy will mention this to Bruce Rumball-Petre to see if he would be willing to finish this job up.

Other business: The board will investigate when ITSales will be coming up to train the operators on the new meters.

Andy mentioned to the board about a problem that happened on Lake Street over the weekend at the Stratton property. Stratton's will be billed for the materials, supplies and the worker's time that was needed to rectify this situation as it was the property owner's doing that caused the problem.

On Friday, Andy went to Ripple Cove for the report of a broken curb stop. Tardif Heating and Plumbing tried to turn the water on to a property down on Ripple Cove; and called the board stating that the curb stop was broken. The problem ended up being inside the location; and not at the curb stop; so the board feels that Tardif Heating and Plumbing should be billed for the equipment's time. A motion was made by Andy Martin to send the bill for the equipment to Tardif Heating and Plumbing. Mark Vaillancourt seconds the motion, all in favor, so carried.

Meeting adjourned at 7:30 PM.