

Water/Sewer Special Meeting Minutes April 25, 2023

Present: Mark Vaillancourt, Wayne Graham, Andy Martin, Zack Letourneau, Kean Galunas, Bruce Rumball-Petre, and Teresa DeBonville.

Attending virtually: Mike Strait, and Joel Cope.

Bruce Rumball-Petre called the meeting to order at 6:00 PM.

Update Agenda: Removal of septic waste.

Mark Vaillancourt just questioned why Juddy's Septic did not dump his waste down at the plant. Wayne Graham explained that the wastewater facilities were not made to accept anything except household waste.

Public comment: None.

Water rates adviser: Wayne Graham was present from Vermont Rural Water Association to give examples and charts on how other municipalities figure how to set the water and sewer rates. Wayne gave the board information and surveys of what other municipalities charged, and how they came up with the rates that were set.

Adjustment of sewer rates: A motion was made by Andy Martin to raise the base rate of sewer by \$77.00 per quarter, per unit. This is to cover the budget for 2023. Mark Vaillancourt seconds the motion, all in favor, so carried.

Mark Vaillancourt motions to raise the overage amounts according to the rates set for the water overages set at the meeting held on April 18, 2023. Andy Martin seconds the motion, all in favor, so carried.

Approve minutes of the previous meeting: The board reviewed the minutes of the April 18, 2023, meeting. Mark Vaillancourt motions to approve the minutes as printed. Andy Martin seconds the motion, all in favor, so carried.

Other business: Bruce Rumball-Petre discussed with the board the option of the operator's bringing home the town vehicles and parking them in their yards; not only for access if they get called out, but so that the vehicles do not get vandalized just sitting at the treatment plant. Andy Martin motions to approve that the operators park the water/sewer department trucks in their yards. Mark Vaillancourt seconds the motion, all in favor, so carried.

The board went over the list, and discussed which users would have additional units added to their June billing. The list will be ready when Zack does the billing for the June Quarter.

Andy updated the board on the progress at Lakeside Campground on the meter pits. This is progressing nicely and should be ready for the water turn on date as requested in a letter sent to Maurice Barnes.

Meeting adjourned at 6:50 PM.