

Groton Water Commission
Regular Meeting
Of the
Board of Water Commissioners
Tuesday, March 13th, 2018
2nd Floor Lunch Room

Minutes

Present are Vice Chairman Greg Fishbone, Member James Gmeiner, Superintendent Thomas Orcutt, and Business Manager Lauren Crory.

Mr. Fishbone called the meeting to order at 7:30pm.

Summer Water Conservation Program

Mr. Orcutt recommends that we enforce the same conservation program we have used the past few years which will be an odd/even conservation program. Mr. Gmeiner and Mr. Fishbone would like a notification of the water conservation program to be published in the newspaper by May 1st. Mr. Gmeiner made a motion to institute the odd/even water conservation program effective May 1st, Mr. Fishbone seconded, and the motion carried unanimously.

Whitney Pond Well Construction Update

Mr. Orcutt reported that we made great headway so far and Whitney I is running with SCADA. He has not heard about the grant yet and is holding off on paying things that the grant would cover.

Water Levels

Mr. Orcutt reported that the water levels look good. He spoke with Groton Electric about expanding our new rate program at Whitney Well to Badacock Well and they said we are able to expand the program whenever we are ready. Mr. Orcutt is hesitant to change rate programs right now and wants to further investigate the timing and effects of peak days.

Baddacock Pond Update

Mr. Orcutt will be meeting on Friday with Jim Luening, Bill Strickland, and the hydro-raking contractor from last year. Mr. Luening has been inquiring about contributions from the water department. Mr. Orcutt would like to wait for the Chairman, Mr. McCaffrey, to be at the meeting before a vote is taken regarding contributions. Mr. Orcutt also wants to make sure that there is an adequate maintenance plan to ensure the weed removal efforts will have a long lasting impact. Mr. Fishbone asked if we should make a motion to support the CPC application for Year 3 and Mr. Orcutt thinks we should wait for Mr. McCaffrey.

Consumer Confidence Report for 2017

Mr. Orcutt said there is nothing new to report for the Consumer Confidence Report.

Other Business

Mr. Gmeiner made a motion to approve the minutes of February 13th, 2018 as amended, Mr. Fishbone seconded, and the motion carried unanimously.

Invoices for Expense Warrant 20 were signed.

Executive Session #3 Collective Bargaining

No Executive Session necessary at this time.

Mr. Gmeiner made a motion to adjourn at 8:20pm, Mr. Fishbone seconded and the motion carried unanimously.

Respectfully Submitted,

Lauren Crory
Business Manager