



BOARD OF WATER COMMISSIONERS

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Convened: 5:34 p.m.

Adjourned: 6:40 p.m.

Present: K. Bedard, D. Luis, A. Hogan, T. Cauley and J. Carbin-Bryan

D. Luis called the meeting to Order at 5:34 P.M.

Minutes of April 20, 2023:

D. Luis moved to accept the Minutes of April 20, 2023.

K. Bedard motioned to accept the minutes of April 20, 2023.

A. Hogan seconded. The motion passed unanimously

Warrants, Balances, Charts & Overdue Bills:

D. Luis moved to accept the monthly warrant.

A. Hogan motioned to pay all bills if found to be correct.

K. Bedard seconded. Motion passed unanimously.

The total amount of all Warrants is \$64,986.26. The motion passed unanimously

Previously signed:	PRwk43	\$	6,621.15
	OTwk43	\$.00
	PRwk44	\$	6,621.15
	OTwk44	\$	183.04
	AP PRIM MA	\$	260.60
	APO4/14/23	\$	7,495.29
	APO4/26/23	\$	14,602.85

Currently signed:	WC11E	\$	8,404.39	
	PRwk45	\$	6,621.15	
	OTwk45	\$	91.52	
	PRwk45	\$	22.50	(ELECTION)
	OTwk46	\$	6,621.15	
	PRwk46	\$.00	
	AP05/11/23	\$	7,441.47	

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High Water Bill – 13 Sycamore Parc:

T. Cauley past on a request from the property owner of 13 Sycamore Parc. The customer is asking for a rebate due to a leak in their home.

After discussion the Water Commissioners agreed that the Water Department can't be held responsible for leaks inside the owners' home. Two of our Commissioners have also had this happen to them and had to pay for their usage. T. Cauley will contact the home owner.

Test Well Update:

T. Cauley has contacted J. Ouellette for permission to decommission the wells on his property. J. Ouellette would like a copy of our Liability Insurance prior to us going out there. Mahar Pumping Company will be decommissioning the wells sometime in July or August of 2023.

Isotope Study Update:

Mt. Holyoke coordinator had to step away from the project at this time. UMASS has stepped in and will complete the project. There is no new information at this time.

Drought Regulation Update:

In Litigation, no new information.

Granby Water Supply Update:

T. Cauley spoke with the Chair of the Selectboard and had a lengthy conversation with him, he was excited to hear that we are offering to connect them to our system and will be speaking with his people at their next meeting. Granby Selectboard has had their meeting, but no contact from them. T. Cauley will reach back out if he doesn't hear from the Chair by next week.

Elmer Brook Land and Parking:

Ann Capra; the signs are designed and will need to be approved by the Water Commissioners. After approval it should take four days to get them back and we will be putting them up.

Summer Projects – Dig Jobs, Tank Cleaning, SCADA upgrades, etc.:

- T. Cauley went out to bid for the Tank Cleaning. Three companies were contacted the lowest bid won the project, Caldwell Associates. The tank cleaning is scheduled between third week of June – second week of July.
- Three companies were contacted for the SCADA upgrades. The lowest bidder was Industrial Technical Services, Inc. (I.T.S.) won the bid. This will be scheduled between end of September – beginning of October. Parts are being ordered now.
- Burnett and Wright Place will be completed this year. Orders need to be put in now to secure the cost of the project, (parts/pipe will be divided between companies). Formal bid for Stanton will go out this winter.

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Other Business:

79 Charon Terrace's water has been shut off. We have attempted to contact the owner several times prior to taking this action. There has been no attempt from the owner to contact us. The Board of Health was notified and has condemned the property until water service resumes.

The next meeting of the Water Commissioners will be held on June 15, 2023, at 5:30 P.M.

Respectfully submitted,

Joanne Carbin-Bryan
Administrative Assistant