

**Minutes of the Water Commissioners  
March 21, 2019**

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Convened: 5:33 p.m.

Adjourned: 6:54 p.m.

**Present:** F.DeToma, K. Bedard, W. Holt, M. Aiken, J. Carbin-Bryan and J. DeToma

**Minutes of February 21, 2019:**

F. DeToma moved to accept the minutes of February 21, 2019.

K. Bedard motioned to accept the minutes of February 21, 2019.

W. Holt seconded. The motion passed unanimously

**Warrants, Balances, Charts & Overdue Bills:**

F. DeToma moved to accept the monthly warrant.

W. Holt motioned to pay all bills if found to be correct.

K. Bedard seconded. Motion passed unanimously.

The total amount of all Warrants is **\$137,486.16**. The motion passed unanimously

Previously signed:	PRwk33	\$6,509.20
	OTwk33	\$254.61
	PRwk34	\$6,509.20
	OTwk34	\$89.82

Currently signed:	WC9E	\$11,060.16
	PRwk35	\$6,509.20
	OTwk35	\$160.30
	PRwk36	\$6,509.20
	OTwk36	\$260.34
	PRwk37	\$6,509.20
	OTwk37	\$89.82
	PRwk38	\$6,509.20
	OTwk38	\$89.82
	AP02/28	\$94,895.61
	AP03/13	\$4,893.81

**Dry Brook Hill:**

M. Aiken reviewed the town by-laws with the Commissioners. There was a discussion on the area and how we can protect it. M. Aiken was in agreement with R. Harris's draft of the by-laws. There are a few questions that the Commissioners have for the Planning Board which will be addressed at their meeting.

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**Elmer Brook Land:**

The Sub-Committee attended the Prudential Board Meeting and presented five options on what we can do with the land.

- Option 1: Leave District property as is. Pro/con – status quo/no additional revenue
- Option 2: Sell lot #19 to State/Trust, leave lot 20 as is. Pro/Con-officially gives formal access to upper trails, & gives District limited additional one-time revenue. (approx. \$1000. Per acre)
- Option 3: Sell lot #19 & 20 to State or Trust. Pro/Con- takes responsibility of property from District, allows formal access to trails, gives District limited additional one-time revenue. (approx. \$1000. Per acre)
- Option 4: Sell lot #19 to State/Trust, Lease lot #20 land to Developer for Cluster housing for low income/elderly housing. Pro/Con- official gives formal access to upper trails, giving District limited additional one-time revenue (approx. \$1000. Per acre), leasing the land to a developer of cluster housing for low income/elderly gives the District unknown dollars for land lease. Leasing the land for housing gives the District permanent Buildings and puts the District in the housing business.
- Option 5: Sell lot #19 to State/Trust, Lease lot #20 land to Solar Developer. Pro/Con – officially gives formal access to upper trails, giving District limited additional one-time revenue (approx. \$1000. Per acre). Leasing the land to a Solar developer provides the District with a good amount of revenue (approx. 10k per acre) annually. The Con for solar development would be the cutting down of around 20/25 acres of trees on lot 20 and a change to status quo.

All agreed that option #5 was the most appealing. It was also agreed that money would be set aside for tree planting.

**Conservancy Conference April 7, 2019:**

M. Aiken reminded the Commissioners about the location and time of the Conference.

**Water Quality Forum:**

M. Aiken and J. Cyr have purchased water bottles for the forum to be passed out to the attendees.

**2019-2020 Budget:**

The budget was given one more review and approved.

F. DeToma moved to accept the 2019/2020 Fiscal Budget.

K. Bedard motioned to approve the Budget for 2019/2020 as amended.

W. Holt seconded. The motion passed unanimously.

**Other Business:**

Reminder of the Planning Board Meeting on Monday the 25<sup>th</sup> of March, 2019 at 6:30 PM.

Water Commissioners will be meeting with Employees in May.

The next meeting of the Water Commissioners will be held on Wednesday the 10<sup>th</sup> of April, 2019 at 5:30 P.M.

Respectfully submitted,

Joanne Carbin-Bryan  
Administrative Assistant