



## BOARD OF WATER COMMISSIONERS

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### Minutes of the Water Commissioners July 21, 2022

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Convened: 5:30 p.m.

Adjourned: 6:26 p.m.

Present: F. DeToma, K. Bedard, D. Luis, M. Aiken, T. Cauley and J. Carbin Bryan.

Also in Attendance:

K. Davis, R. Pleasure, D. Presley, J. Dupre, R. Ternbach, J. Brown, D. Rochon, M. O'Meara, J. Vohl Hamilton, and W. Hamilton.

#### Minutes of May 19, 2022:

F. DeToma moved to accept the Minutes of June 23, 2020.

D. Luis motioned to accept the minutes of June 23, 2022.

K. Bedard seconded. The motion passed unanimously

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

F. DeToma moved to accept the monthly warrant.

D. Luis motioned to pay all bills if found to be correct.

K. Bedard seconded. Motion passed unanimously.

The total amount of all Warrants is \$243,318.71. The motion passed unanimously

Previously signed:

Currently signed:

WC13E	\$981.53
WC1E	\$19,672.34
PRwk53	\$6,927.27
OTwk53	\$268.98
PRwk1	\$7,361.72
OTwk1	\$91.52
PRwk2	\$7,361.72
OTwk2	\$183.04
PRwk3	\$7,361.72
OTwk3	\$91.52
LONGEVITY	\$2,800.00
APO5/31/22	\$5.00
APO6/30/22	\$994.15
APO6/29/22	\$1,411.02
APO6/30/22	\$9,332.40
APO7/6/22	\$161,936.12
APO7/20/22	\$17,520.19

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**Covid 19:**

The department is still taking precautions to keep our people healthy.

**Mailer Request:**

J. Howard has asked if we would insert a sustainability information sheet in with our bills.  
The Water Commissioners agreed to the inserts.

**SCADA Contract:**

I.T.S. has provided service and updates for our SCADA System. Recently I.T.S. sent a contract that gave us 3 options for service. Pay \$12,000 a year, \$1200 a month or \$500 for every service call.  
The three (3) options offered do not include engineers time, milage or parts. T. Cauley and M. Aiken have met with Elm Electrical as an alternative to I.T.S., who have since looked at our system. They have suggested that we start with updating the software program, (it is out of date) then move on to the hardware.  
They will be sending a proposal on the upgrades.

**Elmer Brook Bridge:**

M. Aiken received an e-mail from A. Capra regarding The Water District looking into Article 97 for the property located on route 116. D. Luis will contact our council, B. O'Toole and discuss what we can or cannot do with the property. A. Capra has also asked if the Prudential Committee was willing to manage a formal recreational access parking lot, trail, and bridge across Elmer Brook. She has spoken to DCR who stated they will not manage a property that they do not own.  
F. DeToma, K. Bedard and D. Luis all agreed that our department will not absorb the maintenance of the property.

**Aquifer Study:**

Ann Capra has again asked if the district has made a decision regarding contributing half the money (\$10,000) to the Town's match (\$10,000) for an aquifer study that would be conducted by UMASS Amherst. M. Aiken responded that at the district meeting in May the people voted to contribute the monies. The ISOTOPE study will be done.

**48 Amherst Road:**

Water service is off. There is no new information regarding the property.

**Other Business:**

- M. Aiken showed the choices for lettering to be put on the excavator.
- The first set of water samples came back with a coliform hit. T. Scheinost took samples the following day and everything came back fine. It was more than likely a false positive. We have done samples since then and all have come back good.
- The chlorine pump has been repaired.
- A job posting for Superintendent and laborer was discussed.
- M. Bourbeau has gotten his hydraulics license. T. Scheinost will be running the excavator. T Cauley stated that T. Scheinost is doing a great job with it.
- The Commissioners have asked for a meeting with T. Scheinost and M. Bourbeau following the next Water Commissioner's meeting. The interviews will be 15-minute intervals starting at 6:30.

The next meeting of the Water Commissioners will be held on August 18, 2022 at 5:30 P.M>

Respectfully submitted

Joanne Carbin-Bryan  
Administrative Assistant