

BOARD OF WATER COMMISSIONERS

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Convened: 5:32 p.m. Adjourned: 6:26 p.m.

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

Minutes of April 15, 2021:

F. DeToma moved to accept the April 15, 2021.

D. Luis motioned to accept the minutes of April 15, 2021.

K. Bedard seconded. The motion passed unanimously

Warrants, Balances, Charts & Overdue Bills:

F. DeToma moved to accept the monthly warrant.

K. Bedard motioned to pay all bills if found to be correct.

D. Luis seconded. Motion passed unanimously.

The total amount of all Warrants is \$34,589.17. The motion passed unanimously

Previously signed:	PRwk38 OTwk38	\$6,789.75
Currently signed:	WC10E	\$6,714.01
	PRwk39	\$6,789.75
	OTwk39	\$ 175.52
	PRwk40	\$6,789.75
	OTwk40	\$ 84.36
	PRwk41	\$6,789.75
	OTwk41	\$ 136.74
	AP03/18/21	\$1,514.24
	AP03/24/21	\$5,546.04
	WC10pc	\$ 49.01

Covid-19:

No new information.

North Pole Estates:

At the Planning Board meeting on March 22, 2021, The Planning Board voted unanimously to deny the application for Definitive Plan and Stormwater Management Plan for the proposed 'North Pole Estates Subdivision'.

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Leak Detection Survey:

Prowler Water Conservation Systems was hired to locate/detect any leaks or breaks in our system. They have found an area on the golf course, Morgan Street and are still looking for others (these leaks have since been repaired).

Consumer Confidence Report (CCR):

The CCR report was reviewed by the Commissioners and approved. A link to view the report will be on the May 1st water billing, and the report link was also advertised in the Town Reminder (newspaper) and posted in several locations in town. Paper copies are also available in the office.

2021 - 2022 Budget & District Meeting:

This was the final review of the 2021-2022 Budget. All items were approved.

The District Meeting will be held on May 3, 2021 Commissioners will be arriving at 6:00 p.m. There are 9 articles for the Water Department this year.

Other Business:

- The Fire District is applying for a grant for a new exhaust system.
- We would like to upgrade to the new CUSI billing system. The cost for the new UMS system will be 11,148.00, Our yearly service agreement will be 1600.00. The system we are using now will no longer have updates available, and will slowly be phased out. The Water Commissioners agreed that we should purchase the new billing program.
- PFSAS, no detection on our second round of testing.
- Mosier St., the Hart and Partyka properties now have their own separate service lines.
- There was an exchange of views on leasing or purchasing a backhoe.
- The water rates will be going up .10 cents per 100 cubic feet in the new fiscal year.
- Massachusetts Water Management is trying to put into place (for all registered systems) nonessential water uses during droughts. It would limit us on our sales even though we have an aquifer for our water supply. Mass Water Works is intervening for Water Departments like ours, stating that "this cant be a one size fits all for the whole state". F. DeToma suggested that this would be a subject to discuss with our state representative (Dan Carey).

The Water Commissioners will meet on May 3, 2020 at 6:00 p.m. for the District Meeting.

Respectively submitted,

Joanne Carbin-Bryan Administrative Assistant