

Mattapoisett River Valley Water District Commission
January 14, 2020

The Mattapoisett River Valley Water District Commission met on Tuesday, January 14, 2020 at 4:00 p.m. at the Fairhaven Board of Public Works, 5 Arsene Street, Fairhaven, MA.

In attendance:

Town of Fairhaven	Jeff Furtado	term expires: 5/2019
	Vincent Furtado	term expires: 5/2019
	Mark Rees	term expires: 5/2019
Town of Marion	David Pierce	term expires: 6/2021
	David Willett	term expires: 6/2021
Town of Mattapoisett	William Nicholson	term expires: 4/2020
	Henri Renauld	term expires: 4/2019
	Paul Silva, Treasurer	term expires: 4/2021
Town of Rochester	Rick Charon	term expires 4/2021
	Laurell J. Farinon	term expires: 4/2021
	Sandy Keese	term expires: 4/2021
Others in attendance were:	Blair Bailey	Counsel
	Meghan Davis	Tata & Howard
Absent members included:	Randy Parker	term expires: 6/2021

Chairman Pierce called the meeting of the MRVWDC to order at 4:30 p.m.

1. Acceptance of minutes of the January 14, 2020 meeting
Mr. Charon motioned to accept the minutes of the January 14, 2020 meeting, Mr. Rees seconded, all in favor.
2. Treasurer's Report
Treasurer Silva reported that the monthly invoice schedule totaled \$116,002.22, which included an invoice from ECA HoldCo 1, LLC for \$46,407.72. An invoice in the amount of \$66,103.04 was paid to Mass Clean Water Trust for interest and administrative fees on the SRF Loan. Capital expenditures included a \$171,445.17 invoice from Fall River Electrical for primary work.

Invoices

Mattapoissett River Valley Water District
Invoice Schedule Account #089-000-2992-0000

Analytical Balance	\$ 25.00
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Verizon	\$ 242.74
Verizon Wireless	\$ 80.98
Sea Gas	\$ 1,608.38
Mahoney's Building	\$ 16.29
Mahoney's Building	\$ 12.78
Air Gas	\$ 1,202.12
Town of Mattapoissett	\$ 45,551.17
ECA HoldCo1, LLC	\$ 46,407.72
Hiller Fuels	\$ 672.80
Eversource	\$ 56.55
Eversource	\$ 17,218.07
Blair Bailey	\$ 150.00
Tata & Howard	\$ 2,376.62

Total	\$ 116,002.22
Mass Clean Water Trust	\$ 66,103.04
Fall River Electrical	\$ 171,445.17

Mr. Jeff Furtado motioned approval of the Treasurer's Report and payment of the above referenced invoice schedule, Mr. Vincent Furtado seconded, all in favor.

3. Review and Approve Final FY 2021 Operating Budget

Treasurer Silva reported that the MRVWDC requested a cost for accounting services provided by the Town of Fairhaven, and received an estimate of \$2,100. He explained that operations went up 5.4% and total assessments are up 10.9% in the FY 21 budget.

Mr. Rees motioned to accept and approve the Final FY 2021 budget as presented, Mr. Jeff Furtado seconded, all in favor.

Treasurer Silva distributed final FY2021 assessments to respective town representatives.

4. ECA Credit Update
Mr. Renauld distributed a packet of information including an e-mail from Mr. Todd Fryatt from ECA Solar, ECA, invoices to the MRVWDC, and Eversource invoices to the Mattapoisett Water Department. He explained the breakdown of all of the figures and said that everything appeared to be in order. The total cost savings to date is \$14,228.58, and that the District is projected to save approximately \$80,000.

5. Koch Update
Ms. Davis of Tata & Howard explained that they reviewed scaled back the original proposal and scope of services to do a complete evaluation of the Koch filter system. They are hoping to get Koch to meet locally to reduce costs. The revised estimate is for \$39,000.

Treasurer Silva stated that he would like to see a timeline for the assessments. Discussion ensued about “forever chemicals” and membrane failure.

Mr. Renauld reminded the group that the plant went on line in 2008, and the membranes have already gone beyond the life expectancy. He would like to see a decision made and a contract signed in April/May 2020 so that work can begin in the new fiscal year.

6. Exhibit 4 Update
Mr. Vincent Furtado and Mr. Renauld explained that Mattapoisett and Fairhaven figures are done, they just need to sit down and finish things. They anticipate using a rate of 41 cents in a 5 year agreement. Attorney Bailey will review the information and put together an agreement.

Mr. Renauld commented that Marion supplements itself, and the figures are almost flush. They are looking to finalize estimates so that a number is there if needed.

7. Review and Approve Draft 2019 Annual Report
Ms. Davis distributed draft copies of the annual report for review by the committee. Mr. Rees motioned to move the last paragraph to after the second paragraph, Mr. Charon seconded, all in favor. Sandy Keese will be added to the report. Mr. Renauld motioned approval of the report as amended, Mr. Vincent Furtado seconded, all in favor.

8. Tata & Howard Report
Ms. Davis reported that they are waiting for over-ground installation on the MRV primaries project: utility poles are expected to come in later this month.

9. Operations Update
Mr. Renauld reported that Hope Air was in to install a drive. Marion Wolf Island experienced a loss of power. Fairhaven came back on line December

11, 2019. A circulation pump was restored. They did work on a cracked valve body which was leaking air.

Mr. Renauld explained that he is doing an evaluation with the security company, and they will do a full walk through.

10. New Business

Mr. Renauld distributed copies of an estimate for \$6,865.00 from TCS Communications of Salisbury, MA for antenna system repairs. Mr. Renauld explained that he can absorb the payment in operating costs. Mr. Vincent Furtado motioned to accept the quote and move forward with work, Mr. Jeff Furtado seconded, all in favor.

Mr. Charon motioned to adjourn the meeting at 5:37 p.m., Mr. Vincent Furtado seconded, all in favor.

The next meeting of the MRVWDC will be held on February 11, 2020.