

Mattapoisett River Valley Water District Commission  
March 10, 2020

The Mattapoisett River Valley Water District Commission met on Tuesday, March 10, 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
Town of Marion	David Pierce	term expires: 6/2021
	Randy Parker	term expires: 6/2021
	David Willett	term expires: 6/2021
Town of Mattapoisett	Henri Renauld	term expires: 4/2019
	William Nicholson	term expires: 4/2020
Town of Rochester	Laurell J. Farinon	term expires: 4/2021
	Sandy Keese	term expires: 4/2021

Others in attendance were:                   Blair Bailey                   Counsel  
  Jon Gregory                   Tata & Howard

Absent members included:                   Mark Rees                   term expires: 5/2019  
  Paul Silva, Treasurer   term expires: 4/2021  
  Rick Charon               term expires 4/2021

Chairman Pierce called the meeting of the MRVWDC to order at 4:15 p.m.

1.    Acceptance of minutes of the February 11, 2020 meeting  
      Ms. Keese motioned to accept the minutes of the February 11, 2020 meeting, Mr. Parker seconded, all in favor.  
  
      Mr. Renauld presented correspondence from Robert E. Brown signing off on the operating budget and assessment.
2.    Treasurer's Report  
      Mr. Renauld reported that the monthly invoice schedule totaled \$32,108.85, which included an invoice from Eversource in the amount of \$19,310.38 and Borden & Remington in the amount of \$9,947.72.

Invoices

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

Analytical Balance	\$	25.00
Analytical Balance	\$	75.00
Analytical Balance	\$	160.00
Verizon	\$	191.16
Verizon	\$	231.75
Verizon Wireless	\$	80.98
Sure Lite Electric	\$	225.00
Sure Lite Electric	\$	811.36
Sea Gas	\$	1,315.96
Mahoney's Building	\$	11.94
Borden & Remington	\$	9,947.72
R.A. Mitchell	\$	2,780.00
Borden & Remington	\$	10,196.73
The Hope Group	\$	898.60
Controller Service & Sales	\$	801.90
USA Bluebook	\$	506.18
Timothy York Plumbing	\$	375.00
Hiller Fuels	\$	1,555.12
Hiller Fuels	\$	929.30
Eversource	\$	10,310.38
Eversource	\$	61.40
Mattapoissett Post Office	\$	106.00
WB Mason	\$	111.93
Blair Bailey	\$	150.00
Tata & Howard	\$	838.84
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Total	\$	32,108.85

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

Mr. Renauld reported that he received a quarterly payment in the amount of \$34,842 from the Town of Marion.

3. ECA Credit Update

Mr. Renauld reported that ECA stands by their original estimate of \$45,000 in annual savings for the MRVWDC. As of this date the group has saved \$22,000.

4. Koch Update  
Mr. Renauld reported that this is still a priority item; however it is tabled until June 2020. They pulled the stage and are doing integrity testing. They are averaging between 10 and 20 failed cells per filter; the filters are showing signs of degradation. The MRVWDC has gotten twice the life out of the filters, but we are at the point where we need to do something. He would like the MRVWDC to approve the assessment to begin July 1, 2020 (FY 21) so that work can begin immediately.

Attorney Bailey noted that the group needs to look at options and determine how the capital project will be funded. A reserve fund may need to be established.

5. Exhibit 4 Update  
Attorney Bailey reported that they had a meeting and agreed upon an amount amongst the communities, which will be 43 cents per hundred gallons of raw water. Attorney Bailey is drafting a one page policy for review by the Towns, which needs to be signed and revisited every five years.

6. Regional Meeting of Water Officials to be held at Marion Town House, April 30, 2020 at 4:00 p.m.

Mr. Pierce reminded the MRVWDC about the meeting to be held of regional water officials to discuss what is going on in MRV communities. The meetings have been well attended and very productive in the past. The meeting is scheduled for April 30, 2020 at 4:00 p.m.

7. Tata & Howard Report

Mr. Gregory provided an update on the MRV primaries project. Fall River Electric delivered the utility poles and will be on site the week of March 23, 2020 to install the poles. They had a meeting this week on site with the parties involved. Significant coordination is needed between Fall River Electric and Eversource.

8. Operations Update

Mr. Renauld reported that the plant is running well. There was a problem with the CIP hot water tank where they lost the heating element. Hope Air came in and replaced the tank. Hiller Fuel filled the generator but it lost the prime. They got it going again. Control Services addressed the problem with the transfer switch and they will swap modules. There were issues with 4 VRC's which got fixed. The emergency lights failed and the electrician came in to fix. Mr. Renauld had ordered antennas and they lost all stations last weekend, which affects operation of the north side of plant.

Mr. Gregory reported that work is being done on the Tinkham Lane well and is scheduled to be on line next week. The contractor went back to finish up rehabilitation construction.

Mr. Parker motioned to adjourn the meeting at 4:55 p.m., Mr. Jeff Furtado seconded, all in favor.

The next meeting of the MRVWDC will be held on April 14, 2020.