Kittery Water District – Board of Trustees Meeting – January 27, 2021 (via Zoom)

Meeting held via Zoom and called to order at 7:30 a.m. Members in attendance: Trustees Caroline Rose, Julia O'Connell, James Golter and Supt. Mike Rogers. Members of the public in attendance: Garvin McCurdy, Pete Henderson, Shara Geiger, Bob Sheppard, Guy Hodgdon, Suzanne Sayer, Kristi Mathieson, Bill Wagner, EB Leland, Julie Perrault, Bonnie Rogers, Linda Johnson, Kathy Hynes, John Perry, and Jen Thayer. Mission Statement was read. Newly elected Trustee James Golter was sworn in and will sign oath later today.

Agenda approved with two additional items.

Secretary's report – Minutes from the BOT meeting on January 20, 2021 were approved with minor corrections.

Treasurer's report – Submitted bills were read by Supt. Rogers and checked by Trustee Rose. Trustee Rose motioned to pay the bills. Trustee Golter seconded. Roll call, three in the affirmative, motion passed. Trustee Golter will sign checks today.

Superintendent's Report- Wright-Pierce Engineers have evaluated the post lime feed malfunction and Electrical Installations Inc. were on site at the water treatment plant on Jan. 25, 2021 to reprogram parameters. There have been no issues since. They also addressed the clear well indicator. Pump #2 has been ordered.

Charter Specifics- District boundaries were established using longitude and latitude coordinates. They will be sent to Rep. Kristi Mathieson to be submitted to the Revisors office and they will let us know if they need more information. Since we have opted to use the Standard Charter we will not need to define our water sources in the District Territory. They will be automatically included.

Trustee Rose moved to designate every Friday at 7:30 a.m. as a potential Charter workshop via Zoom as needed through the end of February. Seconded by Trustee O'Connell. Roll called, three in the affirmative, motion passed.

Election Recap- The election on Jan. 26, 2021 was lauded as being well run despite a sizable turnout with long lines of traffic. The Registrar and KWD staff did an excellent job. It was acknowledged that the public interest generated should be encouraged to continue in future District decisions of importance.

Financial Report for December 2020 was reviewed.

Training Class Requests reviewed. Trustee Rose moved to approve a total of \$320 for training class requests. Trustee O'Connell seconds. Roll called, three in the affirmative, motion passed.

Executive Session with our lawyer Tom Trenholm was postponed until a later date.

Annual Meeting will be held Feb. 2, 2021 at 7 p.m. via Zoom. A year end summary of District activities will be presented including charter changes.

Public Comment- Linda Johnson expressed concerns about how charter language will address absentee ballots and how they will be mailed in. Suzanne Sayer congratulates Trustee Golter and suggests that for future elections we consider renting space at the KCC to help ameliorate traffic issues experienced this past election.

Meeting adjourned at 10:07 a.m.

The next BOT meeting will be held Wednesday, February 3, 2021 at 7:30 a.m. via Zoom.

Our Annual Meeting will be held February 2, 2021 at 7 p.m. via Zoom.

A charter workshop session is available, if needed, on Friday January 29, 2021 at 7:30 a.m.

Respectfully submitted, Julia O'Connell, clerk

Disclaimer: The preceding minutes constitute the author's understanding of the meeting. While every effort has been made to ensure the accuracy of the information, the minutes are not intended to be a verbal transcript of comments at the meeting, but as a summary of the discussion and actions that took place.