

Kittery Water District – Board of Trustees Meeting – April 22, 2020

Meeting held via Zoom and called to order at 7:31 a.m. Members in attendance: Trustee Caroline Rose, Julia O'Connell, James Golter and Supt. Mike Rogers. Members of the public in attendance: Cathy Wolff, Garvin McCurdy, Guy Hodgdon, Judy Quimby, Sally Hirschberg and Linda Cheatham. Mission statement read.

Agenda reviewed- Adopted with one change; item #12 "Employee welfare update" moved to directly precede Executive Session, after Open discussion.

Secretary's report- Minutes for April 15, 2020 were read and accepted.

Treasurer's Report- Financial position and submitted bills were read. Motion was made by Trustee Golter to pay bills, seconded by Trustee O'Connell. Roll call, three in the affirmative, motion passes. Trustee O'Connell will sign checks today.

First Quarter Budget comparison reviewed. Trustee O'Connell moves to accept the budget as written. Roll call, three in the affirmative, motion passes.

Electricity Contract Options discussed. Maine Power Option offered the best rate for a three year term. Trustee O'Connell makes motion to seek a three year Green contract with Maine Power Options. Roll call, two in the affirmative, Trustee Golter opposes. Motion passes.

2020 Capital Improvement List - Discussed continued efforts to install a 16" main under the Maine Turnpike Crossing and completion of pump station at Old Beech Ridge Rd. (combined construction costs estimated at \$700,000). Trustee Rose motions to approve expense. Seconded by Trustee Golter. Roll call, two in the affirmative, Trustee O'Connell opposes, motion passes.

Code RED discussion Discussion will continue April 29, 2020 at the Board of Trustees Meeting, to allow for further research of options.

Watershed reports reviewed. No violations noted. Increased activity noted, due to area beaches and parks remaining closed. Six beavers were removed from the watershed during this period.

Open Discussion

* New fuel tank to be installed today at treatment plant. No supply issues of chemical reagents noted.

*Recorded ZOOM meetings can be downloaded from the cloud and posted on KWD website.

*Supt. Rogers will forward recording to tech person, Guy Hodgdon, to post on our website.

*Bill Wagner, real estate developer, requests meeting with KWD. Tabled to discuss possible dates for public work session.

* Garvin McCurdy requests that interconnecting pipe under I-95 have shut off valves, that there be long range planning to keep water from the north (KKWWD, etc) out of KWD system because of unknown quality issues, ie. PFAS contamination. Code RED could use pyramid telephone calling system. (previously used by PNSY) Public exposure to chloramine should not be taken lightly as it would greatly increase costs of private filtration for customers.

*Judy Quimby inquires about pipe flow rates.

Employee Welfare Update Hatch treatment plant work rotations continuing without incident. No new illnesses to report. No need for executive session.

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Next Board of Trustees meeting to be held Wednesday April 29, 2020 7:30 a.m. by ZOOM teleconference. Meeting adjourned at 9:21 a.m.

Respectfully Submitted,
Julia O'Connell, clerk



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