

**Yarmouth Water District  
Board of Trustees Meeting Minutes  
March 9, 2022 Tuesday @ 6:00 p.m.  
Yarmouth Water District Office  
181 Sligo Rd, Yarmouth, ME**

**Roll Call:**

*Present:* Irving Felker, Jr, Chairman, William Taylor via Zoom, Thomas Brennan, Stephen Gorden, Andrew Walsh

*Absent:*

*Quorum present?* Yes

*Others Present:* Eric Gagnon, Superintendent, Emily Thomas, Recording Secretary

**Proceedings:**

- *Meeting called to order at 6:10 pm by Irving Felker*
- *On a motion by Thomas Brennan and seconded by Andrew Walsh, it was VOTED: To approve the February 8, 2022 meeting minutes as written. (5-0)*

**Treasurer's Report - February Financials**

<u>Institution</u>	<u>Description</u>	<u>Amount</u>	<u>Maturity Date</u>
Cumberland County Federal Credit Union	Submarine Main Depreciation Fund	\$16,143.11	Savings Acct
People's United Bank	Standpipe Maintenance	\$35,583.20	Savings Acct
Cumberland County Federal Credit Union	Standpipe Maintenance, CD	\$809,414.64	CD 10/25/22
Bath Savings	Contingency Fund	\$119,489.18	Savings Acct
Cumberland County Federal Credit Union	Submarine Main Depreciation, CD	\$955,030.71	CD 10/25/22
People's United Bank	Water Resource Protection Fund	\$35,511.75	Savings Acct
Kennebec Savings Bank	2021 Bond Anticipation note for 2021 CIP	\$1,102,921.08	Savings Acct
Key Bank	Working Checking Account	\$1,202,293.40	Checking Acct
	Advance for Construction	\$142,520.65	
	Available Balance	\$1,059,772.75	

Total Special Funds \$4,133,866.42

Supt Gagnon reported changes including the monthly contributions and interest on all accounts. One difference this month was 2 deposits to the Submarine Savings Account due to last month's check coming in late.

On a motion by Andrew Walsh, seconded by Stephen Gorden it was VOTED: *To approve February Treasurer's Report as written.* (5-0)

The February disbursements were discussed. On a motion by William Taylor and seconded by Stephen Gorden it was VOTED: *To approve the February 2022 disbursements as written.* (5-0)

### **Communications**

- School system lead testing: Supt Gagnon reports the results for the Yarmouth Middle School and High School. Of the 21 fixtures tested at the high school, 5 came back above the threshold. The letters to parents the certification have been done. In the middle school 24 were fixtures tested, 20 came back above the threshold. There was a plumber who came in to replace everything after they had been shut down. As these are being replaced, they will be retested. The elementary school and Rowe School are awaiting results, but testing has been completed.

### **Old Business**

- North Yarmouth Capital Improvements Project: Supt Gagnon reported that the pumps have been in service for about a week and a half and overall, everything has gone over really smoothly. The leak in the underground piping is still planned to be fixed once the ground is thawed.
- Solar Project: Supt Gagnon reported the preliminary board meeting with the town went well. North Yarmouth has a consultant engineer who is helping the planning board go through applications which have made things go smoothly. YWD is on the agenda for the April 12th board meeting which is the first step to get the project started. A lease is not presented until the final planning board committee approval.
- Workshops: The first one went well and was very informative. Mueller agreed to a meeting on the 30th for 2 more workshops at 2pm and 4pm.

### **New Business**

- None to report

### **Operations**

- February 2022 Production Reports, Supt Gagnon reported some leaks this month, but overall production was very close to last year. There were a couple instances where there were big sways due to the leaks, but they were all fixed very quickly.
- Current Work:
  - Water Main Repairs - all of these have been circumferential breaks due to the cast iron piping. This allows a usual quick fix.
    - Drinkwater Point Customer Side Service Repair
    - Newell Main Repair
    - Rand Road Main Repair
    - Sea Meadows Main Repair - occurred at the end of the line right before 2-3 houses. About 250 gallons a minute were coming out onto the street. A call came in quickly for this, it was isolated and repaired.

- Broad Cove Woods Main Repair
- Well Pump Motors Annual Service, the motors are greased and the oils are changed every winter during the slower time. Some of the older wells have been receiving a little more than normal maintenance. Older equipment is getting replaced for a more efficient flow.

**Other**

- Ductile Iron vs Cast Iron, Supt Gagnon discussed the differences between these irons. Cast iron isn't really used anymore. Ductile iron is less susceptible to rust and has a cement lining and is wrapped in poly to help prevent it.
- Repair Submarine Main, Supt Gagnon reached out to a couple engineers and local contractors, though hasn't heard back yet, on how to do this repair and get an estimate.
- Bridge Crossing Costs, a small section of East Main Street was done. It was about \$900 per foot. The current estimate is about \$600-900 a foot, and these are usually insulated with a different installation process.

At 7:05 p.m., on a motion by Stephen Gorden, seconded by Thomas Brennan, it was VOTED: *To adjourn the regular monthly meeting. (5-0)*

Minutes submitted by:  
Emily Thomas, Recording Secretary

Minutes filed by:

Thomas Brennan, clerk

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