

March 20, 2019

The regular monthly meeting of the Trustees of the Auburn Water District was held at the office of the Auburn Water District, 268 Court Street, on Wednesday, March 20, 2019 at 4:00pm.

Members present: Dan Bilodeau, Robert Cavanagh, Tizz Crowley, K. C. Geiger (President), Jason Pawlina, Mary Sylvester and Andy Titus. Also present: Sid Hazelton, Superintendent, Mike Broadbent, Assistant Superintendent and Greg Leighton of Maine Water Company (Finance Manager).

APPROVE MINUTES OF REGULAR MEETING of February 20, 2019 –

On motion of Mary Sylvester, seconded by Robert Cavanagh, it was voted: **To unanimously accept the minutes of the Regular Meeting as amended.**

FINANCIAL REPORT UPDATE – Commercial sales are down 8%, while residential sales are holding steady. Cash on hand is currently at \$970,000.

RATIFY THE PAYMENT OF BILLS –

On motion of Bob Cavanagh, seconded by Dan Bilodeau it was unanimously voted: **To ratify the payment of bills in the amount of \$170,548.36 as shown on the printout dated February 1, 2019 – February 28, 2019.**

OPEN SESSION – Dan Bilodeau would like to invite all Trustees to meet him tomorrow at his house for a snowmobile ride on Lake Auburn. He has an extra helmet. He would like others to have the opportunity to get a different view of the Lake.

ACTIVITY REPORT – There were three main breaks in February and repairs went well. The number of frozen services is down for this time of year.

NEW BUSINESS

ELECTION OF OFFICERS – Current Slate of Officers:

President K, C. Geiger

Treasurer, Tizz Crowley

Superintendent , Sid Hazelton

Clerk, Tanya Dunn

Auditors; RHR Smith & Company

Watershed Commission Representative, Tizz Crowley.

On motion of Dan Bilodeau, seconded by Jason Pawlina, it was voted: **To table the election of officers**

WATER QUALITY UPDATE – The water quality is very good due to ice and snow cover. On ice testing took place February 22, 2019. The ice depth ranged from 17 to 32 inches.

A draft permit application for alum treatment has been sent to the Maine Department of Environmental Protection. The permit requires supporting letters from the Maine Drinking Water Program and Maine Department of Inland Fisheries and Wildlife.

BOND –

On motion of Mary Sylvester, seconded by Jason Pawlina, it was unanimously voted: **To Bond the District's half of the alum treatment.**

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The City Council is voting April 1, 2019 to approve the District's request for a Bond. Superintendent Hazelton will draft a letter to the Council requesting support for the Bond.

The Lewiston Water Division pays for chemicals and electricity proportionally based upon water usage. Historically capital projects have been split 50/50. Interlocal agreements exist and will be used moving forward.

COMMUNICATIONS – Superintendent Hazelton and the City Manager, Peter Crichton, have scheduled monthly meetings to keep the lines of communication open. The City has requested the District provide a write up for the monthly newsletter published by the City, Community Connections.

Superintendent Hazelton will provide the Mayor's Representative with a list of highlights of the District's activities every month following the Districts regularly scheduled meeting.

PROJECT UPDATE – Ted Berry will be pipe bursting a portion of Poland Road where there are few services.

The Fifth Street Main Replacement was awarded to Longchamps & Sons.

Central Maine Power has offered to provide and install underground power lines into the UV Plant if the conduit is provided and installed. Material costs have been estimated at \$15,000. This project would be split 50/50 with Lewiston.

On motion of Mary Sylvester, seconded by Bob Cavanagh it was voted: **To fund \$7,500 for this project.**

The by-laws for Lake Auburn Watershed protection will be provided next month for review.

Preston Chapman served 23 years as a Trustee. We as a Board would like to recognize his service.

OLD BUSINESS

MAYORS AD HOC GROUP ON WATER FILTRATION –This was not supported by the Auburn City Council, however, the Mayor will still form the committee.

TAYLOR POND GROUP RP ZONE PROPOSAL UPDATE – The Auburn City Council reviewed and denied a resource protection zone amendment that was submitted by the Taylor Pond Group.

AG ZONE AD HOC COMMITTEE UPDATE – The Planning Board and Conservation Commission are in the process of reviewing proposed ordinances.

On motion of Dan Bilodeau, seconded by Mary Sylvester it was unanimously voted: **To adjourn the meeting.**

Respectfully submitted,

Tanya Dunn

Approved: April 17, 2019

A true record:

Attest: _____



Clerk