

Minutes of the Meeting of the Board of Water Commissioners
Monday, January 22, 2024
Bell Hill Water Treatment Facility
14 Bell Hill Road
North Brookfield, MA 01535

Present: Tim Nason, Christopher Caputo, Patrick Gustafson, Jamie Flamand and Kelly Valeri

Absent: None

The meeting opened @ 6:00 PM

Review and approve the minutes

Mr. Gustafson made a motion to open the January 22, 2023 BOWC Meeting. Mr. Caputo seconded the motion. The vote to open the meeting was unanimous.

Mr. Caputo made a motion to approve the December 18, 2023 minutes as written. Mr. Gustafson seconded the motion. The vote to accept these minutes was unanimous.

Review, discuss and vote on proposed FY25 Budget – At the previous BOWC Meeting the commissioners were given a copy of the proposed FY25 Budget to review. Mr. Nason made a motion to accept the proposed FY25 Budget. Mr. Caputo seconded the motion. The vote to accept the FY25 Budget was unanimous.

Superintendent Report

Quincy Compressor – Quincy Compressor was called for an issue with the air compressor at the Water Treatment Plant. Upon inspection the tech found that the compressor needed about \$9,000 in repairs. Mr. Flamand explained to the Commissioners that we've had several issues with this compressor over the five years we've had it. He is now looking into a new compressor instead of repairing the current one. Mr. Flamand hopes to have quotes and more information at the February BOWC Meeting.

Winter Maintenance – The Water Operators have begun winter maintenance. This included winter calibrations, pump rebuilds, greasing equipment, etc.

Meter installations – Meter installations are on hold until February. Meter change outs can not be performed during the billing process. There are approximately 140 meters left to go!

2W Water Bills – The second cycle of water bills are being processed. They will be mailed on Tuesday, January 30th and due on Monday, March 4th.

Joe “Artie” Flamand – Mr. Flamand, BOWC and the entire North Brookfield Water Department would like to recognize Artie Flamand who recently passed away. He was a dedicated water department employee and friend who will be deeply missed!

New Business

None at this time.

Mr. Nason made a motion to adjourn the January 22nd BOWC meeting. Mr. Gustafson seconded the motion. The motion to adjourn the meeting was unanimous.

Meeting Adjourned at 6:20 pm

Respectfully Submitted,

Kelly Valeri
Administrative Assistant