

**Minutes of the Meeting of the Board of Water Commissioners
Monday, September 12, 2022
Bell Hill Water Treatment Facility
14 Bell Hill Road
North Brookfield, MA 01535**

Present: Tim Nason, James Grace, Christopher Caputo, Jamie Flamand and Kelly Valeri

Absent: None

The meeting opened @ 6:00 PM

Review and approve the minutes

Mr. Grace made a motion to approve the July 18, 2022 minutes as written. Mr. Caputo seconded the motion. The vote to accept these minutes was unanimous.

Superintendent Report

Lead Service Line – Mr. Flamand informed the Board of a lead service line that was discovered during the installation of a new water meter. After a brief discussion the Board members agreed that the Water department along with Ed Thibeault would replace this service line.

Service line break- There was a service line break at 83 Ward Street. This was repaired quickly and water was turned back on by late morning.

Hydrant Flushing- Hydrant flushing will begin on Monday, September 26th and continue through Friday, October 7th. The flushing route will be posted daily on Facebook. A flushing notice will also be in the New Leader a few weeks prior to flushing.

Water Main Breaks- There have been 9 water main breaks over the past 6 weeks. Ed Thibeault and the Water Department crew did an excellent job at restoring water to residents as soon as possible. Mr. Flamand thanked Eddy and his Operators for a job well done!

Effluent Pump – Effluent pump #1 has been removed for repair. The approximate repair/restoring time is about a month.

Lead and Copper Testing – Lead and Copper testing for the N. Brookfield Elementary and High Schools will be Thursday, September 15th. There are also 2 residents that will also be collecting samples on that day due to scheduling conflicts August.

ARPA Meeting – Mr. Flamand will be attending the ARPA Meeting on Thursday, September 15th to resubmit his Elm Street project for approval.

T-3 Classes – During our recent Sanitary Survey conducted by Mass DEP, the N. Brookfield Water Department's treatment process rating was elevated from a T-2 to a T-3. Mr. Flamand will begin classes on Thursday afternoons starting September 15th to upgrade his current T-2 License. Classes run for 12 weeks.

New water meter installations – There are approximately 750 new water meters installed which is our half way point. A notice will be sent with water bills to home owners that still do not have a new meter. We hope to have the installation complete within the next year and a half.

New Business

None at this time.

Meeting Adjourned at 6:21 pm

Respectfully Submitted,

Kelly Valeri
Administrative Assistant