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# Town of Carver, North Carver Water District Commission

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Meeting minutes for August 9, 2021, The North Carver Water District Commissioners met, today, at the Carver Town Hall, Meeting Room # 3, 108 Main Street, Carver, Massachusetts.

Attendees: Kevin Tracey, Chairman; William Sinclair, Commissioner

Absent: Stephen P. Romano, Commissioner

Also present: Dave, SWSS

Meeting called to order at 7:00 PM, by Mr. Tracey

## Rte. 44 Development, Urban Renewal Plan:

Mr. Tracey – We don't have much on this, tonight. The Administrator has put together a task force to coordinate the needs of the Town with the Developer. The Administrator will keep us updated. If there are questions, Dave (SWSS) may be called in to answer them.

## Indian Head – Bulk Water:

I was expecting Roland from Indian Head to be here tonight. Has the back flow preventor been repaired at the fill station? Dave – Does it need to be replaced or repaired? Mr. Tracey – Replaced, it had a crack in it. I don't see an invoice in my packet. Mr. Sinclair – We authorized payment at our June 14 meeting. Dave – Through SWSS? Mr. Sinclair – Yes. Mr. Tracey – He can't draw any water until it's replaced anyway. Mr. Sinclair – We are going to need to be in a better place for him to do that anyway. Mr. Tracey – We have some history with them and have had issues with getting payments. We will need something concrete in place between NCWD and Indian Head.

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Dave – There are bulk water companies that draw from a place in Millis that we operate. They are metered and I think they need a card in order to activate a fill which limits / activates his access and drops payment right into your account. You could look into that for here. There is one in Millis to look at; I believe it's an automatic payment. I will talk to Joyce in the morning regarding the back flow preventor.

Mr. Sinclair – I want to make sure that zero water transfers to Indian Head until we have some guarantee. Mr. Tracey – Yes, I agree. I like the idea of the card swipe.

## Service Connections on Santana Way:

Dave - I checked all three doors and they changed the lock. I did get readings from one (I think 24 or 25) and gave that to Amanda. Those should all be remote reads. Mr. Tracey – Yes, they should be. Were we able to do final meter reads before the transfer? Dave - I gave her the information on those. I will check with Amanda. I don't remember if it was one master or on all three of them. Mr. Tracey – If we were able to final reads before the transfer and now, we are not able to read the meter(s), maybe the component was disabled or damaged in some way. Dave – I couldn't even get into 18. Mr. Tracey – There is no way to know unless we can get access. Dave, could you touch base with Mr. Priolo so we can get a key to the lock; it was agreed that we have access to that.

## Discussion:

· Plymouth Street water line extension-

Mr. Tracey – We had an issue a couple of weeks ago. Dave – We did. There is no construction going on right now. Mr. Tracey – Correct, they have hauled all of their equipment out of there. Service lines will be separate. The Health Agent is getting bids for the service connections to the homes that are going to be connected. I am not sure he has received those bids yet. Dave –The meters are about \$325 per meter (R900 remote). They were asking about fittings, etc. Joyce and I talked with Ryan of Ty sales this morning. The plumber usually gets the fittings. Mr. Tracey – This is a little different; the Town is responsible for connecting these houses. Dave – When the line goes in, we put a compression fitting and a valve on. At that point, the plumber cuts in and puts the fitting on. It has to be a licensed plumber. Mr. Tracey – That will likely be the same here except the Town will hire the plumber.

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## **Water Operators Report:**

#### Dave -

- Well maintenance Mr. Tracey What happened at the plant that day? Dave I had discussions with Mike last week. One of my operators was going out there Friday. He's a computer guy. We never got any alarms. When I went in there, there was a bunch of alarms lit up. After going over things with Mike on Friday, they were tripping alarms, on purpose, and never got a call. They rebooted and everything seems to be working now. The actuator valve that we got in for Train 1 locked up again. Chuck showed me the set points. You can tighten them up and control how much the valve opens. He suggested checking them once a month.
- PH probes are on backorder until 9/17 (delivery date). We are checking the PH daily. We are monitoring how many inches we use. The probe that turns the pumps on and off is working fine. When it hits 6.5-6.6, it sends the signal to start the pump.
- The surge suppression will be about \$4400. Joyce wanted to make sure you had that number; she will send the quote on that. Mr. Sinclair What's the availability? Dave They are pretty good and should be able to get it relatively quickly. We need to spend money now to save money later. Mr. Tracey Let me get next month's reports first before I commit. We should probably do this.
- Back Flow Devices Mr. Tracey You have all the maintenance taken care of? The new
  conduit went in? Both wells are up and running? Dave Yes. No issues. We have had
  some bacteria hits Mike has, in the past, added chlorine, like every other month. I wasn't
  aware of that. Mr. Tracey Follow through on the back flow device as we have someone
  looking to draw some bulk water.
- The property on Lillian Way Mr. Tracey Did you speak to him about that. Dave So it doesn't cross the street? Mr. Tracey No, he would have to run it down Route 58 and across the street. Dave He is not interested if he has to cross the street.
- Mr. Tracey We have had some complaints about brown water. The contractor that installed the water line hired a sub-contractor to do the flushing and chlorination. The sub-contractor didn't understand that they couldn't just open the all the gates so it drew us down to a point where we weren't able to recover until they closed some of the gates. Dave Yes, we got a call from a resident.

## Bills Payable:

Discussion:

Motion to pay the bills for Batch 1 in the amount of \$6,257.99: Mr. Sinclair

Second: Mr. Tracey

Approved: Unanimous (2-0)

Motion to pay the bills for Batch 2 in the amount of \$6,000.00: Mr. Sinclair

Second: Mr. Tracey

Approved: Unanimous (2-0)

# Minutes - July 12, 2021

Motion to table the minutes of June 14, 2021 and July 12, 2021, due to corrections: Mr. Sinclair Second: Mr. Tracey

Discussion:

Approved: Unanimous (2-0)

## Correspondence:

• Mr. Tracey – 7/19 – multiple calls for no water on Lakenham. Letter from Wesley Swain – He wasn't happy about water being out a couple of weeks back and had to buy 10 gallons of water. He wants to be reimbursed. He also mentioned that his neighbor had a hot water heater blown out and said it was a NCWD issue. He was unable to attend tonight's meeting as he works nights. Mr. Sinclair – Do you want to have them come in and submit a formal request? Mr. Tracey – We can follow through with that but need to follow Rules and Regulations.

Kathy Kay is working on an email contact list to allow us to better handle issues when they come up. I am going to talk to Jill about adding a line to the application for email contact. Mr. Sinclair – Can we send out a request with our bills? Mr. Tracey – I am not sure; I know there are limitations on what you can send out with the bill.

• We have a commitment letter. This will allow us to send out our bills and get paid.

Motion to sign the Commitment Letter so that we can send out our bills: Mr. Sinclair

Second: Mr. Tracey

Approved: Unanimous (2-0)

 A new Schedule of locations. Elaine and Dave Siedentopf discussed amount of Coverage from MIAA – We have a little over \$3M of coverage for the plant, personal property, etc. .
 Elaine made some corrections and sent it back to MIAA

# Next meeting:

Motion to schedule our next monthly meeting, on Monday, September 13, 2021 at 7:00 PM: Mr.

Sinclair

Second: Mr. Tracey

Approved: Unanimous (2-0)

## Meeting adjourned:

Motion to adjourn was made 7:54 PM: Mr. Sinclair

Second: Mr. Tracey

Approved: Unanimous (2-0)