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## Town of Carver

# North Carver Water District Commission

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Meeting minutes for October 4, 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; Stephen P. Romano, Commissioner -

Absent:

Also present: Dave, SWSS, Participated Remotely

Meeting called to order at 7:01 PM, by Mr. Tracey

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### **Rte. 44 Development, Urban Renewal Plan:**

Mr. Tracey – I received an email from the developer but have not had any communication since. PA Landers will be doing the road work. They are supposed to send me a spec of the Montello Street layout. I will submit for a peer review. Mr. Sinclair – When does construction begin? Mr. Tracey – Soon. Mr. Sinclair – Are they working off of the Mass Works Grant? Mr. Tracey – Yes.

### **Service Connections on Santana Way:**

Mr. Tracey - No new service connections? Dave – No. I ran into Kevin Forgue last week. He was asking questions about plumbing, etc. and wanted to know if we would be available for inspections, which I told him we would. I have all the information on the meters that weren't given to Amanda. They had stickers for the barcode but not the meter numbers. Amanda downloaded all of the information; I read all of them but #26 on Thursday. There were 5 or 6 that I have to redo. Mr. Romano -What's the total number of hookups now? It appears that the left side is completely done. The right

side has all the buildings up but appear to be at various stages of completion. Dave – Up to Unit 32 (or 36) are all lived in. Mr. Romano – I see painters up there; don't they need water to do that? Dave – Yes. All those units should have meters in them. I can check on that; I will look when I redo #26 tomorrow.

### **Discussion:**

- Plymouth Street water line extension –  
Mr. Tracey – I had a meeting with some residents a couple of weeks ago. They were asking about the PFAS testing. This is their main concern that they want clarified before they connect. I wasn't able to answer their questions. Dave – I will look into that. The PFAS testing was discussed with Kevin Forgue, as well. I don't believe the state can't force a homeowner to connect if they have their own private well. Does anyone know the rates? Mr. Tracey – They don't want to connect until they know that our system is testing on that. Dave – I will check tomorrow. I am also hearing residents saying that the water should be free. Mr. Tracey – The North Carver Water District is required to send out bills. Mr. Romano – They aren't getting free water now; they are paying electricity and maintenance of the well and water softener. Usually, if someone wants a water line run, there is a fee involved. This is a Town project so I assume we won't get that fee. Dave – I believe they have to hook up within a year. What I have found is that people don't sample test their private wells. They don't drink it either. Mr. Tracey – The incentive right now is that there is no charge for it. Dave – Do you have a flat rate per quarter? Mr. Tracey – Yes, low usage/minimum is around \$46 per quarter. Dave – That is a point you could make to the residents; low cost for those that don't use much. Mr. Tracey – If you aren't going to use more than the minimum, the cost is low. Mr. Tracey – Dave, let me know about the PFAS test tomorrow. Dave – Where do the results go? Mr. Tracey – Have them send it to Jill Martins.

### **Water Operators Report:**

Dave –

- Probes have been installed. PH is normal.
- We are having glitches. Over the weekend, there was a problem with the train and there was a low level alarm. My operator didn't tell me about this. There was another low level alarm today. I talked to Mike – possible issue with PLC. I talked with Dave S and he said everything was good. We rebooted the main panel and the computer. Mike was able to get back in. Both trains are running at 50 gallons per minute, which shouldn't happen. Mike made some changes but I am going to check on them tomorrow and call Mike.
- Also, well production is going down in well one and needs to be cleaned out.
- Joyce is going to send you a quote or order repair kits for the air compression for the actuator valves. Mike said the O rings wear out and need to be replaced. I

have been having the guys exercising them just to keep them going. I will check with Joyce on the status of that.

- The road condition is pretty bad; I talked with Dave S. I want to make sure it is all set for the winter.
- Back flow device at the station was tested. Mr. Tracey – Yes, I saw the invoice. Make sure that you check the valves and throttle back if necessary. Dave – When do we want to remove that? Mr. Tracey – Roland won't be using it until next spring; SLT is the only one using it. Dave – Do we want to give them a date? Mr. Romano – I would rather ask SLT when they anticipate being done. Mr. Tracey - I will ask Jill to reach out to them and let you know. Dave – When we remove it, we will leave it in Carver.

### **Bills Payable:**

Discussion: Mr. Sinclair - Solare America Invoice – 44, Phase 1 invoice. They seem to be billing way behind. Mr. Tracey – Jill has talked with John several times about their invoicing.

They are not aggressive with their invoicing. This has been an issue many times. This may be the corrected invoice that Jill recently spoke to them about.

*Motion to pay the bills for Batch 1 in the amount of \$13,272.86: Mr. Romano*

*Second: Mr. Sinclair*

*Approved: Unanimous (3-0)*

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

*Second: Mr. Sinclair*

*Approved: Unanimous (3-0)*

### **Minutes –**

**September 13, 2021 -**

*Motion to approve the minutes of **September 13, 2021**, as written: Mr. Sinclair*

*Second: Mr. Romano*

Discussion:

*Approved: Unanimous (3-0)*

### **Correspondence:**

Mr. Tracey –

- Amanda sent the latest accounts receivable aging summary. There is an issue with the fire protection with the church. She is not sure who to send the bill to. The developer is done with the project. Mr. Romano – There is an association? Mr. Tracey - Or the bills need to be divided equally among the five tenants.
- We are still working on compiling email contacts. We are working on sending something out with the next bill and also adding a line on the Water Service Application.

**Next meeting:**

*Motion to schedule our next monthly meeting, on November 8, 2021 at 5:30 PM: Mr. Romano*

*Second: Mr. Sinclair*

*Approved: Unanimous (3-0)*

**Meeting adjourned:**

*Motion to adjourn was made at 7:48 PM: Mr. Sinclair*

*Second: Mr. Romano*

*Approved: Unanimous (3-0)*