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Town of Carver, North Carver Water District Commission

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Meeting minutes for **August 14, 2017**. 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 Romano, Commissioner

Absent: All Present

Also present: Mike Woollam, SWSS; Mike Milanoski, Town Administrator; John Woods, DPW

Meeting called to order at 5:05 PM, by Mr. Tracey

Indian Head Contract:

Roland from Indian Head has requested a reduction in his tier rates. Mr. Sinclair – How many trucks can you guarantee at the rate you are proposing? Roland, Indian Head – I am not sure, really. I would rather use your service as it is more convenient but this business is tied to the weather. Mr. Sinclair – Are you current with your invoices? I have one with me now. Mr. Milanoski – The best we could do with this is usage moving forward. I would suggest the commission talk about this more and provide authorization to the chairman to do any modification. Indian Head – I understand; I just need to make sure that I am profitable. The board will let Indian Head know.

Mr. Milanoski – What is the current residential rate? Mr. Tracey – Almost \$10. He is a seasonal customer. Mr. Milanoski – I don't think he's passing the differential to the customer; how much did he buy last year? Mr. Woollam – Not much, this is his first real year. He's done about 1,000,000 gals since the first of the year. Mr. Milanoski – how much maintenance on SWSS? Mr. Woollam – Not too much. Various minor expenses. Mr. Sinclair – What is the impact if we don't reduce the

amount? Mr. Milanoski – about \$10K per year (Less expenses). I wouldn't lower the rates but maybe eliminate the tier rates. Mr. Romano – I feel that we should leave everything as it is. Mr. Sinclair – I agree. Mr. Milanoski – Look at it from Mike's standpoint for operations. You want water running all the time to keep everything moving. I would suggest that you give him a consistent rate, based on a # of gals purchase. Mr. Romano – I wouldn't have a problem with giving him a fixed rate at \$7.40. His bill needs to be current before any changes.

*Motion to amend the Indian Head contract to set a flat rate at \$7.40 / 1000 gals; with on time payments and 1,000,000 gals/ year: Mr. Tracey
Second: Mr. Romano
Approved: Unanimous (3-0)*

John Deady, Davis Clark LLC – Green Street Church water service:

I am the new owner of 159 Plymouth Street and would like to submit an application for water service. Mr. Tracy- This would require main as well. You will have to submit engineered drawings for review. Mr. Deady – There was a sketch submitted to the planning board, but will need an engineered drawing. Mr. Tracey – There is typically a privilege fee involved, but we are usually flexible on this. It is based on the number of bedrooms. Mr. Deady – Five - 2 bedroom units will be going in. Mr. Tracey – 10 bedrooms = 1100 gals per day. Mr. Tracey - Will you be doing fire protection? Yes. Mr. Sinclair – There will be an annual fee for that. Mr. Deady – We are working on the structure now. It's amazing the good condition the structure is in. Mr. Sinclair – The previous owner had an agreement with RDA on that project. Mr. Deady – I did hear that but I am all set. Mr. Tracey - We should have a hydrant at the end of the line. Conservation may want to review this as well. There may be others on the street that want to gain access to water.

Mr. Milanoski – If a private developer runs the line and there is someone in between that wants to hook, they just need to pay the hook up fee. The privilege fee is not for the line; it's adjusted for everything else. What do the regulations say? Mr. Tracey – This has never come up before. Water line has not been run past another house for an install at another address. Mr. Milanoski – The interpretation of the by-laws and regulations are that any hook up has a privilege fees, but are waived a betterment fee.

Mr. Milanoski – There is an issue we are dealing with at the N. Carver landfill. They are now treating a new chemical (EPA changed requirements) which is harder to treat. It is leaching from the dump. All of the houses are being tested and are below threshold. The easiest solution is to have the town run the line up to cover these 8-10 houses. DEP doesn't require it, but we need to make it available and connect to their house. They can refuse to allow us to connect. Mr. Sinclair – Where would the line run? Mr. Tracey – East down Plymouth street probably 1000 feet. Mr. Sinclair – Mike said the cost for the plant is about 100,000 / year? Will that go away? Mr. Milanoski – Yes, eventually. The DEP is working toward this goal.

New Source and Middleboro:

Mr. Tracey – Mike Bumpus is not getting back to me. We don't have that unlocked. He is the treatment foreman. I'll keep working on it.

Water Operator's Report:

- Mr. Woollam – I have obtained quotes for the items we talked about during the last meeting. (distributed to board members).

UV Lights - They have gone up a little. Now coming in at about \$300 each

Motion to authorize up to \$1495 for UV lights: Mr. Romano

Second: Mr. Sinclair

Approved: Unanimous (3-0)

Hydroxide injector –

Motion to authorize to authorize the sum of \$989.32 to purchase injector: Mr. Sinclair

Second: Mr. Romano

Approved: Unanimous (3-0)

- 3A Braddock way issue fixed broken meter but curb stock still needs to be fixed. Perhaps an official letter from the office.

Motion to authorize a letter be sent to 3A Braddock Way with 90-day notice to repair curb stock with list of contractors: Mr.

Sinclair

Second: Mr. Romano

Approved: Unanimous (3-0)

Authorize pump test for existing test wells:

Mr. Woollam – I keep calling Mike Ohl. No test date yet. Mr. Milanoski – What is the purpose of this? Mr. Tracey - Water quality. We have some money left over from last year that we can use. Mr. Milanoski - What is a new well going to run us? Mr. Tracey – I don't have the exact numbers roughly 100K – 120K. A new pump is 7-8K per replacement on that one well. Mr. Milanoski - \$120K for a new well with maintenance of 10K per year. Why would we do this? We don't need additional capacity so what is the benefit that will have such a long term return on investment. If any money is spent, it should be on the developer. We don't have the money to do this. If the developer needs more water than the cost is on the developer. Mr. Sinclair – Route 44 Development is saying they won't need more capacity. I am not comfortable with that. Mr. Milanoski – If they come back and say they need it; they will fund it. Mr. Romano – With additional usage will there be additional expenses? Mr. Woollam – We have done some updates that may eliminate these concerns/issues.

We are up to 120 gals from 20 gals/ minute. Mr. Milanoski – I think you should put this on hold and see what happens with these updates. Mr. Sinclair – I am not in favor of that. Mr. Milanoski – What if you put a temporary hold on it for six months? The group is willing to discuss that.

FY18 Budget:

Mr. Tracey - Did everyone get their 3-year list from Meg? No other members have received it. Mr. Tracey will forward to the other members. There are a couple of issues we can discuss after everyone has a copy.

Minutes – July 10, 2017:

Motion to approve minutes, as written, July 10, 2017: Mr. Sinclair

Second: Mr. Romano

Approved: Unanimous (3-0)

Bills Payable:

Mr. Romano - Should the insurance bill get a discount when paid in full? Mr. Milanoski – Yes, the amount paid includes the prepayment discount.

Motion was made to approve bills, in the amount of \$15,861.12 for North Carver Water District: Mr. Sinclair

Second: Mr. Romano

Approve: Unanimous (3-0)

Motion to pay the Verizon Wireless Bill invoice and Small Water Systems, in the amount of \$5,829.98: Mr. Sinclair

Second: Mr. Romano

Approve: Unanimous (3-0)

Correspondence:

We were checked for Affirmative Action, Accessibility, etc. The letter we received states that we are in compliance.

Next meeting:

Motion to approve meeting date of Sept 11, 2017 at 5:00 PM: Mr. Romano

Second: Mr. Sinclair

Approved: Unanimous (3-0)

Meeting adjourned:

Motion to adjourn was made at 6:41 PM: Mr. Sinclair

Second: Mr. Romano

Approved: Unanimous (3-0)