

Nantucket Water Commission
Minutes of Thursday, March 12, 2020

A meeting of the Nantucket Water Commission was held on Thursday, March 12, 2020 at the offices of the Wannacomet Water Company, 1 Milestone Road, Nantucket, Massachusetts.

Commissioners present: Commissioners Allen Reinhard, Nonie Slavitz and Nelson Eldridge were present. *Commissioners absent:* None. *Staff & Guests:* Mark Willett – Director, Denese Allen - Business Manager, Linda Roberts – Projects Coordinator

1. **Meeting Called to Order:** The meeting was called to order at 8:00 AM.
2. **Acceptance of Agenda:** Commission accepted the agenda as printed by unanimous consent.
3. **Public Comment:** None present.
4. **Acceptance of Minutes for February 14, 2020:** Motion was made by Commissioner Reinhard and seconded by Commissioner Slavitz, to approve the minutes for the February 14, 2020 meeting as presented and authorized the chair to sign.
5. **Production and Billing Report:** Mr. Willett presented the Production and Billing report to the Commission. The positive trend continues with a few days higher and a few lower in February. Rainfall is still higher than last year. Well levels are fine and ground water is where it should be.
6. **Budget & Annual Town Meeting:** Town meeting is scheduled for April 4, 2020. This fiscal year finances are good with new services picking up at a steady pace.
7. **Director's Report:**
 - A. **North Liberty & Ray's Court Update** - Mr. Willett informed the Commission CC Construction is moving along well with the North Liberty Street Water Main. Where there isn't a 2" base of pavement they are milling curb to curb. The plan is to stop in May and return in the fall. Victor is working on getting his asphalt plant operational now.
 - B. **Solar power at Wannacomet Water Co.** - Mr. Willett is reviewing regulations and where we are able to do what we can without impacting the 200' rule we will go 400' as a sole source aquifer. There will be a 30-day review by the DEP.
 - C. **2019 Statistical Reports DEP** – Mr. Willett informed the Commission we have 6.6 percent of unaccounted water due to water main break leaks, fires, and fountains. We are under our daily permitted average.
 - D. **Help with Airport PFAS Project** – Mr. Willett continues to work with the Airport and will continue to do so. The Airport is working to determine what wells need to be sampled and they will begin sampling as soon as people are returning to the seasonal homes.

- 8. Execution of Contracts or Amendments if any pending:** The bids were opened on February 20th for the Midland Water Main Project. Haley and Ward are drawing the plans for the contracts. Four bids were received with Robert B Our as the low bidder with \$583,726.60. Motion was made by Commission Reinhard, seconded by Commissioner Slavitz to approve the funds and enter into a contract with Robert B Our for \$583,726.60 for the Midland Avenue Madaket Phase IV Water Main Project and to approve the funds. The motion carried with Commissioner Slavitz not voting.
- 9. Commissioner's comments and reserved for unforeseen items for discussion by the Chair:** Discussion regarding the Covid-19 virus took place. The commissioner's authorized the staff to be attentive to our rate payer needs and waive any late fee penalties and interest during this time of crisis.
- 10. Adjournment:** There being no further business to come before the Commission, a motion was made by Commissioner Reinhard, seconded by Commissioner Slavitz and unanimously voted to adjourn the meeting at 9:47 AM.

Approved: Nelson Eldridge
Date: 9-4-2020

Meeting packet included 3/12/20 Agenda, Production and Billing Report and Minutes from the 2/14/20 meeting.