

April 17, 2019

The regular monthly meeting of the Trustees of the Auburn Water District was held at the office of the Auburn Water District, 268 Court Street, on Wednesday, April 17, 2019 at 4:00pm.

Members present: Dan Bilodeau, Robert Cavanagh, Tizz Crowley (Treasurer), K. C. Geiger (President), Jason Pawlina, Mary Sylvester and Andrew Titus, Mayor's Representative. Also present: Sid Hazelton, Superintendent, Mike Broadbent, Assistant Superintendent and Greg Leighton of Maine Water Company (Finance Manager).

APPROVE MINUTES OF REGULAR MEETING of March 20, 2019 –

On motion of Tizz Crowley, seconded by Mary Sylvester, it was voted: **To unanimously accept the minutes of the Regular Meeting as amended by Tizz Crowley.**

FINANCIAL REPORT UPDATE – We are fully staffed. Healthcare costs will return to budget after being below for the first quarter. Cash on hand is currently at \$946,000.

RATIFY THE PAYMENT OF BILLS –

On motion of Bob Cavanagh, seconded by Jason Pawlina it was unanimously voted: **To ratify the payment of bills in the amount of \$316,259.35 as shown on the printout dated March 1, 2019 – March 31, 2019.**

OPEN SESSION – Inter-local Agreements with Lewiston for water treatment are a 50-50% split between the Auburn Water District and Lewiston Water Division. There was discussion about modifying this arrangement. Mr. Titus stated that he will review agreements with both Auburn and Lewiston Officials.

ACTIVITY REPORT – There will be an aggressive flushing season to ensure the mains are scoured.

NEW BUSINESS

ELECTION OF OFFICERS – Upon paper ballot:

PRESIDENT: Mary Sylvester

TREASURER: Daniel Bilodeau

SUPERINTENDENT: Sid Hazelton

CLERK: Tanya Dunn

WATER QUALITY UPDATE – Water quality remains very good, as well as dissolved oxygen levels. Dissolved oxygen levels have never been consistently monitored throughout previous winters due to accessibility to the Lake.

Lead and copper testing will occur shortly after June 1. The District will be at reduced testing level as long as the tests pass this year.

The Consumer Confidence Report will be available by July 1.

PROJECT UPDATE – Paving bids were reviewed by the Trustees. This was a joint bid with the City of Auburn and the Lewiston Water Division.

On motion of K C Geiger, seconded by Tizz Crowley, it was unanimously voted: **To award the 2019 paving bid to T W Paving.**

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Approximately 7,000 feet of main will be replaced on Poland Road, which will be the majority of work for the summer. 3,000 feet will be replaced by pipe bursting which is done for half the cost, \$50 versus \$100 per foot.

The Fifth Street Main Replacement is beginning. Longchamps & Sons was awarded that project.

The 2018 Annual Gull Management reports fewer gulls on Lake Auburn than in the past, however more gulls in the area. The USDA administers the Gull Management Program. Superintendent Hazelton will set up a time for the USDA to come in and give a presentation and review of the program. Send questions regarding the program to Sid. He will put the questions together and schedule a meeting. The report will be available on our website.

The Alum Application Permit request was submitted 4/12/19. There is a 30 day public comment period. Superintendent Hazelton will get a copy of the UV Plant Inter-local Agreement to all Board members.

The City Council approved the Bond request with two amendments that will be filed with these minutes.

TRUSTEE STRATEGIC PLANNING – Superintendent Hazelton presented a proposal for consulting services related to providing Trustees with a clear direction in their role. This planning would include:

- Role of Trustees
- Interactions with colleagues
- Plan for the future

It was not agreed on to pursue solicitations from other facilitators.

TRUSTEE OPEN SESSION

Future agenda topic: to move to two meetings per month.

The District has a good story to tell that is not being told: the silent server.

Please send all future Open Session topics to Mary Sylvester.

Workshop to discuss priorities for the Board scheduled for June 5, 2019 at 4:00PM. Please send top five priorities for the Board to Mary Sylvester.

OLD BUSINESS

AG ZONE ADHOC COMMITTEE UPDATE – The Planning Board is in the process of reviewing. There will be a Special Meeting on Monday 4/22/19.

The Conservation Committee meeting is typically held on the third Tuesday of each month.

On motion of Tizz Crowley, seconded by Jason Pawlina it was unanimously voted: **To adjourn the meeting.**

Respectfully submitted,
Tanya Dunn

Approved: May 22, 2019

A true record:

Attest:



Clerk