

BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS' MEETING MINUTES
December 9, 2025
7:00 P.M.
CHERRY VALLEY & ROCHDALE WATER DISTRICT
Hybrid

I. CALL TO ORDER – Chairman Shocik called the meeting to order at 7:02 P.M.

The following were in attendance:

John Shocik	1- attending subscriber
Robert Jones	1- online subscribers
Michael McCormick	
Benjamin Morris, Superintendent	
Jennifer Wood, Treasurer	
Cheryl Balkus, Clerk	

II. District Member Forum – There were no questions or comments. Commissioner McCormick motions to close the forum. Second, by Commissioner Jones all in favor. Approved.

III. APPROVE MINUTES

November 4, 2025, Meeting Minutes – Commissioner McCormick motioned to approve the November 4, 2025, minutes. Second, by Chairman Shocik. All in favor. Approved.

IV. FINANCE

A. Approve 11/10/2025, 11/17/2025, 11/24/2025, 12/1/2025 & 12/8/2025 warrants.

Commissioner McCormick motions to approve all the above warrants. Second, by Commissioner Jones. All in favor. Approved.

B. November bank transfer –Commissioner Jones motions to approve \$57,904.26 from the water checking account to the sewer checking account. Second by Commissioner McCormick. All in favor. Approved.

C. Treasurer Report – Per Treasurer Wood Expenditures to date \$566,766.51after reimbursements total balance \$813,915.37. There will be loan payment due in January.

Revenue is down due to no field collections. November Water Revenue \$92,632.14 Total to date is \$682,330.38. To date CVRWD is in the positive.

V. Administrative

A. 673 Pleasant St New Service Application – Commissioner McCormick motions to approve the application. Seconded by Commissioner Jones. All in favor. Approved.

VI. Operations – Superintendent Morris

Sampling done on Wells St came back higher on color and iron, they go hand in hand. Pricing on automatic flushing devices is estimated at \$8,000.00 and does not include construction and unable to do because there is nowhere to put the water. It is a very difficult neighborhood to work in. Can't put it in the catch basin because it goes to Oxford and they said no as it could result in issues with chlorination in their system. Will be speaking more in depth with ORSD Superintendent of options. The issue is not flushing, the issue is where to put it out, we want to do it right and safely and replacing the infrastructure is not feasible. There is potential construction that Oxford is doing so that something could be done but we have not been able

to sit with them. In mean time we need to come up with something. Per the Superintendent he has responded to the customer that he is still working on this and there has been no response from her. Subscriber Buteau asked in terms of her and regarding exceedances. Per the Superintendent we are conforming, and we are investigating best practices to hopefully resolve the issue. Perhaps longer durations flushing will lower the limits.

With the issues of the well we seem to have corrected the flow issues. Sent out for monthly testing in November and items detected and we did another flush and resampling today and awaiting those results. If we have any issues we need to look at changing the media and would involve DEP running a pilot study making it almost impossible to change the media or make it very expensive to do so. Hopefully what we did all the testing will come back good.

There are three vac excavations left to do for lead service line inventory. Two are awaiting confirmation if they are galvanized a letter will be submitted to the customers of what needs to be done.

The 91-unit Chapel Hill development approved, the developer has spoken with the Superintendent, and the contractor will be submitting plans back to the Superintendent. They will be responsible for maintaining their own infrastructure and the district will need an agreement in writing. If there is something going wrong with it, they need to be responsible for fixing it in order to protect the district. There needs to be a clear contract in that they are responsible for repairs under the HOA. The roads would be private and would not be plowed or maintained by the town.

VII. Date of Next Meeting: Commissioner McCormick motions to hold the next meeting Tuesday, hybrid, January 20, 2026, at 7:00 pm at 148 Henshaw St. Leicester MA. Seconded by Chairman Shocik. All in favor. Approved.

VIII. Adjournment: Commissioner McCormick motioned to adjourn. Second, by Commissioner Jones. All in favor. Approved. The meeting was adjourned for 7:45 pm.