

**BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS' MEETING  
HYBRID MEETING MINUTES  
October 19, 2021  
7:00 P.M.  
CHERRY VALLEY & ROCHDALE WATER DISTRICT**

- I. CALL TO ORDER - The meeting was called to order by Chairman Bergin @ 7:00 PM

The following were in attendance:

Kevin Bergin, Chairman	3 - Subscribers & LCAC
Arthur E.J. Levesque, Commissioner	
Benjamin Morris, Superintendent	
Robert H. Lemieux, Sr., Commissioner – call in	
Jennifer Wood, Treasurer	
Cheryl Balkus, Clerk	

- II. **District Member Forum** – There were no questions or comments during the District Member Forum. Commissioner Levesque motions to end the District Member Forum. Seconded by Chairman Bergin. All in Favor. Approved. The forum ended in two minutes and twenty-five seconds.

III. **APPROVE MINUTES**

- A. **October 5, 2021 Meeting Minutes** – Commissioner Levesque motioned to approve the minutes of October 5, 2021, Meeting Minutes. Seconded by Chairman Bergin.

IV. **FINANCE**

- A. **Approve October 11, 2021 Warrants** – Commissioner Levesque motions to approve the October 11, 2021 warrants. Seconded by Chairman Bergin. Commissioner Lemieux did not see the October 11 or 18<sup>th</sup> warrants. 2 in favor. 1 abstained.

- B. **Approve October 18, 2021 Warrants**- Commissioner Levesque motions to approve the October 18, 2021 warrants. Seconded by Chairman Bergin. 2 in favor. 1 abstained.

The warrants consist of technology, motor vehicle expense, tools, repairs & maintenance, field supplies, pipes, taxes, payroll, office expense, City of Worcester \$25,419.24, continuing education, telephone, trash, lab work for a total of \$46,011.32.

- V. **ADMINISTRATION** – Nothing to report

## **VI. Operations**

- A. Superintendent's Report** – Per the Superintendent has been working with the electrician regarding battery issues at the solar sites and fees involved to make the changes.

The One stop Grant applied for was denied. Did not meet the very competitive groups that did apply.

The bid phase has been completed for the Grindstone Well Project. The lowest bid was \$342,600, the highest \$475,000 and another in the middle. The information will go to Tata & Howard for review to ensure the bidder will meet the requirements and final award will be done by Nov 10. The bids did come in slightly higher than Tata & Howard anticipated.

Hydrant flushing for the Valley area completion this week and Rochdale to begin next week.

Auditors began today and will be in the office for the entire week.

He had discussions with the Emergency Response Group about the Chapel St Mill regarding demolition phase.

The district received abutters notice about a subdivision being built that does not have an effect of our water system. The development abuts a small portion of our district property. Blueprints to be reviewed by Tata & Howard to ensure the retention pond will not affect us. Per Chairman Bergin the applicant did not have a DEP number so not a formal hearing currently and that there was a small presentation of what the plans are for the development. He wanted to bring this to the attention to Tata & Howard to be proactive that we still have Henshaw Pond and want to ensure that it does not have a negative impact on Henshaw Pond and to protect our assets.

Hydro Tech has been on site do the pipe work for the well and should be wrapped up by end of next week.

Subscriber Greg Buteau 2 Merrick St asked if there was any other information why the grant denial. The Superintendent will email it to Mr. Buteau. The town wrote the grant for us and the town would need to follow up on.

Mr. Buteau pleased with a reasonable low bid. Per the Superintendent the price is going to come very close to the \$580,000.00. The low bidder was Bay State Construction Auburn, MA.

Commissioner Levesque asked do any vendors provide pricing ahead of time. Per the Superintendent some do for 30 days.

## **VII. Communications – Nothing to Report**

## **VIII. PERSONNEL – Nothing to report**

**IX. DATE OF NEXT MEETING**

**A. Approval of Next Meeting** - Commissioner Levesque motioned to hold the next Meeting as HYBRID and at the Town of Leicester Town Hall Tuesday, November 2, 2021 @ 7:00 PM. Seconded by Chairman Bergin. All in favor. Approved.

**X. ADJOURNMENT**- Commissioner Levesque motioned to adjourn the meeting. Seconded by Chairman Bergin. All in Favor. Approved. Meeting adjourned at 7:38 P.M.

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