

WEST NEWBURY BOARD OF WATER COMMISSIONERS
MEETING MARCH 12, 2019
9:00 A.M. WATER DEPARTMENT OFFICE

Commissioners present: Robert Janes, Chair and Richard Cushing
Mike Gootée, Water Superintendant and Jodi Bertrand, Administrative Assistant

Meeting called to order at 9:16

Reviewed correspondence, balances and meeting minutes from January 8th, January 23rd and February 12th. Janes moved to accept all the minutes Cushing seconded.

New Tank- Gootée handed out break down of the articles and the motion for each. The original \$1.7 will be used now and then for additional costs the \$1.2 will be used in FY-2021.

Drakes Landing- Gootée had no updates some houses completed and meters put into some but water is not turned on in all.

Bedrock Well Upgrade: no updates

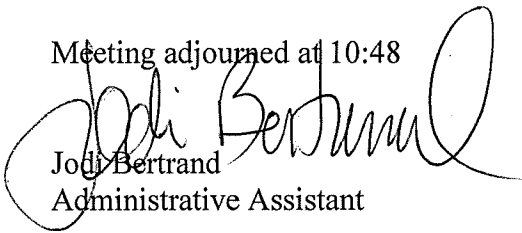
Subdivision (Neve) off Sullivan's Court: 9 Sullivan's Court sold, no further updates.

FY-2020 Budget: Gootée went over the new Water Rates for FY-2020. The Base Charge will go from \$50.00 to \$70.00. The Base Rate from \$12.40 to \$ 13.02 and Conservation Rate from \$15.30 to \$16.07. Gootée is going to write up a flyer to send out to customers to tell them of the upcoming rate increases. Gootée went over the payroll increases and concerns Marlowe was having with his compensation. Commissioners voted unanimously to move Gootée's grade from #8 to a grade #9, and his pay will be increased accordingly. Water Commissioners approved the FY2020 Budget as he submitted \$795,099.00 pending COLA being approved by Board of Selectmen.

Other Matters:

- Angus Jennings and Personal Committee are looking to have all the job descriptions updated and submitted back to them after the commissioners have looked it over.
- Gootée said that Tata & Howard are getting the electrical sub-bids together for April 9th then April 23rd general bids will be presented at Town Hall. Gootée is going to contact Ray Ponte at T&H to clarify which bid openings are being done together.

Meeting adjourned at 10:48


Jodi Bertrand
Administrative Assistant