

WEST NEWBURY BOARD OF WATER COMMISSIONERS  
MEETING JANUARY 27, 2021  
9:00 A.M. (by remote participation-Zoom Meeting)

Commissioners present: Robert Janes, Chair, Richard Cushing and Larry Corcoran  
Mike Gootée, Water Superintendant and Jodi Bertrand, Administrative Assistant  
Remote Participation-

Meeting called to order at 9:00.

Review balances, correspondence and draft minutes from November 4, 2020, Janes moved to approve minutes Cushing seconded. (Executive session minutes May 5<sup>th</sup> are still not being released at this time)

**New Tank and Chemical Building-** Gootée said they would start filling the new Brake Hill Tank and the engineers came in and did a punch list for the tank and the Chemical Building. Within 3 or 4 weeks they planning to run the pump test with DEP.

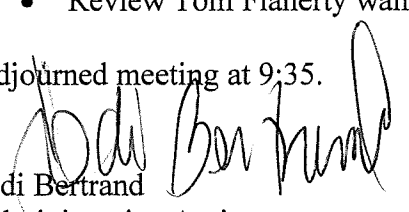
**FY-2022 Articles-** Gootée has \$160k allotted for repairs to Pipestave Tank. He will be getting an updated proposal from Tata & Howard. Another article is to put \$500k into the Stabilization Fund from Free Cash and also the System Development Fees collected of aprox \$130 into Stabilization Fund. (Total \$630 from Free Cash to Stabilization) Janes motioned to transfer \$630k to Stabilization from Free Cash, Larry Corcoran seconded, unanimous. Janes moved to put in article for the Pipestave Tank repairs for \$160k not to go above \$200k. This will also be funded with Free Cash.

**New Employee-** Gootée would like to discuss hiring a new employee in the next budget FY-22.

**Other Matters:**

- Gootée updated commissioners on Brian, the new employee that started this Tuesday, January 26<sup>th</sup>. He has all his CDL licenses and would be available to plow dew if needed.
- Cushing would like to make BOS and Town Manager aware that if/when the Water Dept meets with FinCom and BOS that it be in person to answer any questions not Zoom meeting.
- Review Tom Flaherty wanting water at the Pipestave Baseball Field next meeting.

Adjourned meeting at 9:35.

  
Jodi Bertrand  
Administrative Assistant