WEST NEWBURY BOARD OF WATER COMMISSIONERS MEETING APRIL 14, 2023 4:30 P.M. WATER DEPARTMENT OFFICE

Commissioners present: Bob Janes, Chair, Jack Duggan and Larry Corcoran Mark Marlowe, Superintendent and Mike Gootée, Interim Superintendent

Wendy Reed, Select Board and Rob Phillips, Finance Committee in the office.

Meeting called to order at 4:35.

Gootee announced and read the award that the Water Department received from Mass DEP Water Drinking Program. There will be an award ceremony May 11th at the State House.

Janes discussed his point of view regarding the wordage of Article #5 and #6 to Reed and Phillips. Discussion of what the BOWC would like to see happen regarding future drafts of the rationale to be presented at Town Meeting.

Duggan would like to get clarification on voting language on the Acts of 1936 for setting rates and operations.

The BOWC would like the Select Board to put stipends on the Fall Town Meeting and have a study done to see how other towns handle this with boards and committees. The Commissioners tabled this item (Stipends) to be discussed at a future meeting.

Other Matters:

- Gootee asked Reed if the Select Board was aware of the issue with the 100K that had to be removed from the line-item budget December. Reed replied that she did. Discussion resumed.
- Duggan will draft a letter to send to the Select Board and Town Manager then the Water Commissioners can come in to sign.

Adjourned meeting at 6:05.

Mark Marlowe

Water Superintendent