

WEST NEWBURY BOARD OF WATER COMMISSIONERS
MEETING FEBRUARY 6, 2017
9:00 A.M. WATER DEPARTMENT OFFICE

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

Meeting called to order at 9:04.

Reviewed correspondence, balances and meeting minutes from January 9th. (did not approve minutes for 1-9 so will have to do this at the next meeting 3-13)

Dole Place New Source: All the Water Commissioners as well as Gootée attended an executive session with the BOS last night (2-5).

Brake Hill Water Tank: At the Planning Board meeting tonight they will also be making a decision to move forward with the tank as well as the Bedrock Well.

Drakes Landing- Planning Board is still reviewing application.

Bedrock Well Upgrade: Gootée will be at the Planning Board meeting tonight when they discuss site plan review.

Subdivision (Neve) off Sullivan's Court: House for sale nothing happening through winter.

FY-2019 Budget- Gootée reviewed article for repairing the Pipestave Water Tank. The tank will need to be emptied, cleaned re-grouted and sealed. The Water Dept will be presenting an article at Town Meeting to make repairs to Pipestave Tank at an approximate cost of \$130k. The fire suppression for the school will need to be evaluated.

Gootée also reviewed the increases to water rate and base fee. The Water Commissioners voted to accept the increase for the Fall Bill (CY 2018), the base charge from \$40 to \$50, Base Rate from \$11.80 to \$12.40 and Conservation Rate \$14.53 to \$15.30. Janes motioned to accept, Cushing seconded, unanimous.

Other Matters:

- Badger will be in the Water Dept. on Feb.13th thru 14th to do training on the new AMI meter reading and billing software.
- Mark Marlowe starts classes every Monday starting at the end of February for 12 weeks.
- 902 Main Street requested to have water for a greenhouse that will be supplying items from the garden to St. Johns Evangelists. Gootée never heard back from them but just to keep this in mind. Since Knapp's, Brown Springs and other Farms use water commissioners did not see a problem with this.

Meeting adjourned at 10:06.

Jodi Bertrand
Administrative Assistant