## WEST NEWBURY BOARD OF WATER COMMISSIONERS MEETING JULY 12, 2021 9:00 A.M. WATER DEPARTMENT OFFICE

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

Meeting called to order at 9:06.

Review balances, correspondence and draft minutes from June 15<sup>th</sup>, Janes moved to approve minutes as amended Cushing seconded. (Executive session minutes May 5<sup>th</sup> are still not being released at this time)

<u>Pipestave Tank Engineering Contract</u>- Gootée had the Tata & Howard contract to discuss with Commissioners. Total engineering was \$ 36,300.00 total for Commissioners to sign/approve.

<u>Review Water Operator Applicants</u> – Gootée went over each applicants resume. Gootée and Commissioners will interview all three applicants. Janes will check his schedule and we have tentatively put on calendar for Tuesday, July 20<sup>th</sup>. Janes will get back to Gootée then he will call applicants to set up interviews.

## **Other Matters:**

- When the last water bill was sent from Newburyport Water their rates had increased without any notice to Gootée. This increase could affect the water line item for the FY2022 year.
- Nick Zessoules (DEP) sent approval letter to Gootée so they can start to drain the tank. They will do an asbestos test on the sludge. Then the contractors will be contacted by Tata & Howard to start taking down the tank.

Adjourned meeting at 10:14.

Jodi Bertrand

Administrative Assistant