WEST NEWBURY BOARD OF WATER COMMISSIONERS MEETING APRIL 12, 2022 12:00 P.M. WATER DEPARTMENT OFFICE

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

Meeting called to order at 12:00.

Review balances, correspondence and draft minutes from March 14th, Janes moved to approve the minutes, unanimous. (Executive session minutes May 5, 2020 and August 17, 2021 are still not being released at this time)

<u>Budget FY 2023-</u> Gootée discussed the articles he has written up. They are: transfer \$73K for Engineering Services to update the existing hydraulic model and distribution system study. Transfer \$7,500 to the Stabilization Fund and the regular operating budget.

<u>Pipestave Tank Re-hab</u> - Gootée spoke to Tom Cusick from Newburyport Water and he said they will not permit West Newbury to use the water in the fall to complete the project, now that the pump has been delivered. DN Tank and T &H will extend their contracts so we don't have to go back out to bid.

<u>Search process for Superintendent-</u> Gootée opened up discussion to see how Commissioners felt about advertising in August that would leave 10 weeks he has budgeted for the person to train with him.

Church Street & Prospect Street-Still working on plans

.Other Matters:

- Deer Run Plans & Tie-in was discussed
- We will start flushing hydrants Friday night; Gootée said we will be using Newburyport more during this time.
- Job descriptions will be done by the Collins Group for the study they are doing for the town; they estimated they will be done in June/July.
- Dick Cushing will be stepping down from his Commissioner position after he had a medical emergency. He will not run against Jack Duggan.

Adjourned meeting at 12:30...

Jodi Bertrand

Administrative Assistant