

WEST NEWBURY BOARD OF WATER COMMISSIONERS
MEETING AUGUST 12, 2020
9:00 A.M. TOWN ANNEX BUILDING

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

Meeting called to order at 9:00

Review balances, correspondence and draft minutes from July 20, 2020. Janes motioned to approve minutes, Cushing seconded. (Executive session minutes May 5th are still not being released at this time)

New Tank- Gootée received an email from Jennings re: Insurance and needed completion date. Gootée had to send this to Tata & Howard who will respond.

Chemical Building- Gootée said the new chemical pumps were over-feeding and the contractor worked on placing smaller tubing and it will be tested again on 9-10-20.

Deer Hill Run- (519 Main Street) Tata and Howard is working on the fire flow analysis again and will contact the department when it is complete.

Water Ban- Gootée showed commissioners the email from Tom Cusick, Newburyport Water regarding the implementation of water restrictions due to an algae bloom in the upper artichoke reservoir.

Pipestave Tank- The tank was cleaned and inspected on 7/22/20. Gootée has not received the final report yet from Underwater Solutions, Inc.

Other Matters:

- Gootée updated commissioners on the potential new employee. He has not received any resumes from the news article. Gootée will look for a laborer to help out with weed whacking, grass cutting and easier tasks.
- 40B Coffin Street (Cottages @ Rolling Hills) Gootée rec'd fire flow analysis from Tata & Howard and there was not enough volume for fire flows so Tata & Howard will run another analysis.
- Gootée will talk to Jennings regarding the meeting with Selectmen on Monday, 17th.
- Sanitary Survey went well on July 30th. The DEP inspector went with Gootée to Wellfield, New Tank and Booster Station. He was impressed with the work done.

Meeting closed at 10:13.

Jodi Bertrand
Administrative Assistant