

**GRAY WATER DISTRICT
TRUSTEES' MEETING
November 23rd, 2015**

Present: Bruce Sawyer, Steve Dunn, Joe Murray, Ellen Errington, Mike Lessard and Superintendent Jim Foster. Bruce called the meeting to order at 7:01 pm.

Approve Minutes:

Steve made a motion to approve Draft 1 of the October 26th, 2015 minutes. Joe seconded, vote was unanimous.

Superintendents Report:

- a. October Bacteria tests were absent for E-coli and total coliform.
- b. Average usage for October: 208 GPM.
- c. Brown Street water service renewals have been completed.

Trustee Reports:

Steve has reviewed the report for water quality monitoring at the Gray Municipal Landfill in response to a letter we were cc'd on from Maine Department of Environmental Protection (MDEP) to the Town of Gray. The letter stated that the report talks about testing at wells that have been discontinued. Steve found that a well they mentioned in the letter, MW307, was indeed taken offline and was supposed to be sealed. However, Steve did not find that there has been testing on that well in the 2014 Water Quality Monitoring, Gray Municipal Landfill report. His conclusion is that there is another document/ report that is being referenced that we do not receive. He also reported that the MDEP is recommending that it is no longer necessary to analyze water samples for copper, nickel, total alkalinity and hardness. So, if we feel these tests should continue we need to voice that. Jim suggested, and trustees agreed, that we should forward a copy of the letter to Sevee & Maher Engineers (SME) and ask for their opinion on whether or not we should ask that these tests continue.

Gray Water District Water Storage:

Weeks Hill Water Tank Renewal:

Joe reported that he thought Galen Morrison's, Fire Chief, changes to the draft MOU were good. Jim shared an email from our insurance agent discussing what kind of insurance we should request from the Town in regard to employees and contractors that visit/do work at our water storage tank for the Town. Joe is to modify draft 3 of the MOU to include that language about insurance then send to the office manager to forward to the Fire Chief.

Gray Interchange Project:

Jim reported that he had a brief conversation with Ralph of the Maine Turnpike Authority (MTA) and let him know that Gray Water District does not have plans to do any work with the crossing under the turnpike in the near future. Ralph asked if we might in 5 years and Jim said he would bring the question to the Trustees. Jim suggests that we set up a meeting with MTA and Trustees to discuss this further. Jim also reported that if they allow us to upgrade the 6" main it would be a change order at this point.

Invoice Cloud:

The office manager reported that we were not able to go live with the online pay system on November 2nd as expected. She has been working with Northern Data Systems (NDS) and Invoice Cloud (IC) to fix the issues and is hoping to go live with customers this week.

Additions to the Agenda:

Joe made a motion to approve an annual bonus of 1% or \$50, whichever is greater, for all current Water District employees. Steve seconded, vote was unanimous.

November meeting was scheduled for Nov. 23rd.

Joe made a motion to adjourn at 8:00 pm. Steve seconded, vote was unanimous.

Respectfully submitted,

Sudiek Lester