

**GRAY WATER DISTRICT
TRUSTEES MEETING
November 15, 2021**

Present: Bruce Sawyer, Steve Dunn, Mike MacDonald, Mitch Berkowitz, Joe Murray and Superintendent Bill Gardner. Bruce called meeting to order at 6:00 PM.

Superintendent's Report:

1. Average gallons per day (AGD) for pumps 1&2 was 295,000. Pump 3 was run for 4 days for an AGD of 132,000.
2. Bacteria samples came back absent.
3. Fall flushing was completed on 10/20. 391,800 gallons of water was used.
4. Yarmouth Rd has been marked out and Gorrill-Palmer Engineers (GPE) is getting ready to begin surveying.
5. The paving repair jobs on Weeks Hill and West Gray Rd are complete. The Town will be billed for 50% of the West Gray Rd repair.
6. Merrill Excavation came and did a yard work day with us. Some trees were cut, yard cleaned up, piping stacked and we made a trench box hanger out of the old telephone pole that was laying on the ground. Now we will be able to hang the trench box so that the trailer can be used for other things while the box is not in use.
7. We are working with MRWA to update our Charter in preparation for possibly serving the Weather Service as we will have to go into New Gloucester and back into Gray with the main to reach them.

OLD BUSINESS:

Landfill Test Well Results:

Nothing new to report.

NOAA Request for Service:

This project is picking up steam. Representatives from NOAA came to the district office to meet with the Superintendent. NOAA explained how we would get reimbursed for Engineering bills and that we will receive 10% of those amounts to cover our time and work. The Superintendent explained that they will have to enter into a low-pressure agreement as we don't expect more than 25 pounds or so at their location.

ACTION: None

TIF-Town Project Discussions:

The surveying on Route 115 is about to begin.

ACTION:

Road Opening Permits:

Waiting to hear from the Town.

ACTION: None

Legislative Updates:

Trustees and Superintendent discussed that the lab we use for all our sample testing informed us that they can do PFAs testing as well. This may be a much less expensive option than having an engineering firm do it. Trustees also discussed that the Town could include PFAs to the list of things they test for at the closed municipal landfill.

Motion/Second by Berkowitz/Murray to authorize the Superintendent to apply for a USDA loan/grant to help with the Turnpike crossing project.

NEW BUSINESS:

Holiday Bonuses:

After a short discussion it was decided that employees would get the same amount as last year.

Motion/Second by Dunn/Murray to give all employees a 1.5% bonus with a \$50 minimum. Vote to approve was unanimous.

OTHER:

Next scheduled regular meeting: December 20, 2021 @ 6:00 PM

Adjournment: 7:42 pm.

OUTSTANDING ITEMS:

- Route 100 TIF (South)
- Planning for the future/CIP programming
- G.I.S.
- Search for new water source

Respectfully submitted,

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