

**GRAY WATER DISTRICT  
TRUSTEES MEETING  
August 19, 2024  
Location: 80 Shaker Rd**

Present: Bruce Sawyer, Joe Murray, John Roy, Adam Wilkinson and Superintendent Bill Gardner. Bruce called the meeting to order at 6:00 PM. Doug Reynolds of Gorrill-Palmer Engineers was present to discuss the West Gray Rd project. Jim Saffian, Esq. was present to discuss financing options for N. Raymond Rd project.

**Approval of Minutes:**

**Motion/Second** by Murray/Wilkinson to accept July 15<sup>th</sup> draft 2 minutes as amended. Vote to approve was unanimous.

**Superintendent's Report:**

1. AGD for pumps 1&2 was 427,400. The AGD for pump 3 was 98,908.
2. Bacteria samples came back absent of bacteria.
3. Met with Maine Rural Water Association (MRWA) for a cyber security audit. We had our IT advisor, Bean Data, present for the audit to answer questions.
4. 8/5 raised the Weeks Hill tank level to 60'. 8/12 the levels were raised to 65'.
5. 8/12 we checked on a leak at Maplewood Trailer Park and found that the customers plumbing had deteriorated. The customer had their plumber come to do repairs right away. We worked with them and got the leak repaired.

**OLD BUSINESS:**

**Landfill Test Well Results:**

Nothing new to report.

**ACTION:** None

**Turnpike Crossing / West Gray Rd Main Replacement Projects:**

The project is substantially complete. Doug Reynolds of Gorrill-Palmer explained that we will be receiving an additional pay request for over-excavation on West Gray Rd and Wheeler Rd. Paving is a major item still to be completed. Expected completion is during 1<sup>st</sup> and 2<sup>nd</sup> weeks of September.

**ACTION:** None

**Gerald's Way Main Extension:**

Recently, Scott Dugas said he will do the job this winter.

**ACTION:** None.

**P.L. 2021, c. 672, entitled, An Act To Implement the Recommendations of the Commission To Increase Housing Opportunities in Maine by Studying Zoning and Land Use Restrictions:**

We have not received any response to the letters that were sent out to representatives and the Governor.

**ACTION:** Speak to Trustee MacDonald about making follow-up calls.

**Meadowview II:**

August 8<sup>th</sup> we completed the 2" domestic and 6" fire services at Meadowview II and started on the meter pit rebuild for Meadowview I.

**ACTION:** None

**Lewiston Rd Project:**

Nothing new to report.

**ACTION:** None

**FEMA Grant (BRICS):**

Superintendent Gardner reported that he will be having a meeting with someone from FEMA next week regarding additional grants we can apply for.

**ACTION:** Apply for additional grants.

**N. Raymond Rd – New Water Main:**

Our bond council, Jim Saffian, Esq. was present to discuss options for financing. Trustees and Mr. Saffian discussed options for financing the project until we either take out a bond or get a loan from Rural Development. Because this is an emergency project, we will need to borrow from Androscoggin Bank in the short term to ensure we have funds to do the project in September then convert that debt to a longer term with better rates. We will apply to Rural Development again during the Fall application period. If that option doesn't come through, we can borrow from the Bond Bank for the Spring issue.

**Motion/Second** by Murray/Wilkinson to adopt the resolution authorizing up to \$600,000 of Bonds. (full resolution attached). Vote to approve was unanimous.

**Weeks Hill Antenna Agreement:**

The Town has reviewed and concurs with our proposed license agreement.

**ACTION:** Office Manager to prepare final document and forward for signatures.

**Enercon:**

The lunch with the West Gray Rd. Enercon Crew went well. The owners of Enercon were also present. It was a great opportunity to make contact and personally say thank you for their help with our Turnpike Crossing/West Gray Rd project.

**ACTION:** None-this item is complete

**TIF Expenditures:**

Continue waiting for draft agreement from the Town.

**ACTION:** None

**NEW BUSINESS:**

**Pump 2 Motor:**

Pump two motor and VFD controller need service. Superintendent has a quote to test the system and repair/rewind the motor with an option to replace the motor. The board concurs with Superintendent's recommendation to repair the existing unit. Flow meters will also be upgraded during this project.

**ACTION:** Superintendent to initiate repair action.

**EXECUTIVE SESSION:**

**Motion/Second** by Murray/Wilkinson to go into Executive Session per MRSA 405 (A) to discuss personnel matter. Vote to approve was unanimous. Session entered at 7:50 PM

**Motion/Second** by Murray/Roy to come out of Executive Session at 8:05 pm. Vote to approve was unanimous.

No action was taken as a result of the discussion in executive session.

**OTHER:**

**Adjournment:** **Motion/Second** by Murray/Roy to adjourn 8:07 pm. Vote to approve was unanimous.

**Next scheduled regular meeting:** September 16, 2024 @ 6:00 PM.

**OUTSTANDING ITEMS:**

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

- TIF-Town Project Discussions
- 10" Main on Yarmouth Rd
- Woodcock Dr. Phase II
- State Land Water Source (fish hatchery)
- Revision Solar
- Injection/treatment facility
- Grover Pit Water Service
- Deer Brook Extension
- Fish Hatchery Main Ext.
- Shaker Rd Main Replacement Project

Respectfully submitted,

Sudiek Lester, Office Manager