GRAY WATER DISTRICT TRUSTEES MEETING November 16, 2020

Present: Bruce Sawyer, Steve Dunn, Andrew Edson, Mitch Berkowitz, Mike MacDonald and Interim Superintendent Bill Gardner. Bruce called meeting to order at 6:02 PM.

<u>**Previous Minutes:**</u> Draft two of October 19, 2020 minutes were approved with no changes. Action items were reviewed. Votes to approve were unanimous.

Superintendent's Report:

- 1. We lost telemetry which caused the Weeks Hill tank to fill more than it normally does. When we did our monthly bacterial samples, we got a hit on coliform. We believe the reason is that when the Weeks Hill tank over filled it caused the water to go into what is normally "dead" space in the tank and likely picked up the bacteria there and that's how it got into the system. We will be adding chlorine to the tank and retesting.
- 2. Average gallons per day (AGD) was 275,000. We only ran Pump 3 for six days.
- 3. Two leaks on District property were repaired.
- 4. We were completely moved out of the rented storage facility on October 28th.
- 5. The trucks have been lettered and our new sign is at the office, to be installed soon.
- 6. We installed a new service and meter pit on Merrill Rd.
- 7. Frank Hegarty replaced the packing in the pump at 80 Shaker Rd and spent lots of time with Bill teaching him about the pump and associated parts. He did not charge us for his work or time.

Trustee Reports:

Steve: The people who had originally wanted to meet with us regarding changing the use at this property have been outbid.

Sidewalk project: Our hydrants in this project are ok in regard to snow blowing. The only one that is an issue is the one by the monument.

There is a council workshop and meeting tomorrow regarding Little League fields, Hamilton property, Douglass field and Morrison Center. They will be talking about adding a Farmers Market ordinance during the regular meeting.

OLD BUSINESS:

NOAA Request for Service:

Office Manager reported no contact since last report. Trustees would like to check in with them again.

ACTION: Office Manager to make call.

Dry Mills Standpipe:

All work planned will be started in the Spring.

ACTION: None

Master Plan:

Trustees reviewed highlighted portions of Master Plan. Steve will complete edits. Section 5, office relocation, will be removed.

ACTION: Steve to finish editing document

Motion/Second by MacDonald/Edson to adopt revised Master Plan. Vote to approve was unanimous.

NEW BUSINESS:

Solar Farm Request on Former Hall Property:

Pull deed on Hall Property.

Solar Farm Construction at Gray Landfill:

Trustees discussed asking Gray Director of Recycling and Solid Waste, Randy Cookson, if we can take a walk at the site to see the work that has been done. Steve, Mitch and Bill are to try to set up a walk through for Thursday.

Holiday Bonuses:

Motion/Second by Dunn/Berkowitz to go into executive session per MRSA405(6)(A) at 7:37. Vote to approve was unanimous.

Motion/Second by Dunn/Berkowitz to come out of executive session per MRSA405(6)(A) at 7:50. Vote to approve was unanimous.

Motion/Second by Dunn/Berkowitz to pay GWD employees a 1.5% bonus with a \$50 minimum. Vote to approve was unanimous.

Personnel:

Motion/Second by Berkowitz/Dunn to go into executive session per MRSA405(6)(A) at 7:54. Vote to approve was unanimous.

OUTSTANDING ITEMS:

- -Town sidewalk project (see "Community Presentation on Shaker Road" in Trustee Reports)
- -Route 100 TIF (is this Rt 100 South? Probably need to be clear since we a now expecting to have a Rt 100 North project in the next few years will should be connected to the Village TIF)
- -Planning for the future/CIP programming
- -G.I.S.
- -Search for new water source

Respectfully submitted; Sudiek Lester, Office Manager