

Mattapoissett River Valley
Water Supply Protection Advisory Committee
Meeting Minutes
February 12, 2019

The Mattapoissett River Valley Water Supply Protection Advisory Committee held a joint meeting with the Mattapoissett River Valley Water District Commission on Tuesday, February 12, 2019 at 3:45 p.m. at the Fairhaven Board of Public Works, 5 Arsene Street, Fairhaven, MA.

In attendance:

Town of Fairhaven	Vincent Furtado	appointed indefinitely
	Jeffrey Furtado	appointed indefinitely
	Mark Rees	appointed indefinitely
Town of Marion	Jonathan Henry	term expires: 6/ 2021
	Randy Parker	term expires: 6/ 2021
	David Pierce	term expires: 6/ 2021
Town of Mattapoissett	Dan Chase	term expires: 4/ 2020
	William Nicholson	term expires: 4/ 2020
Town of Rochester	Laurell J. Farinon	term expires: 4/ 2021
Others in attendance were:	Patrick O'Neale	Tata & Howard
Absent Members:	Henri Renauld	term expires: 4/ 2020
	Rick Charon	term expires: 4/ 2021
	Sandy Keese	appointed indefinitely

Chairman Furtado called the meeting to order at 3:55 p.m.

1. Acceptance of minutes of the January 8, 2019 meeting
Mr. Pierce motioned acceptance of the minutes of the January 8, 2019 meeting, Mr. Henry seconded, all in favor.
2. Treasurer's Report
Treasurer Pierce distributed copies of the February 1, 2019 Treasurer's Report and reported that the ending balance of the MRVWSPAC account was \$154,460.71. Total payments made since July 1, 2018 were \$107,864.29, and total income to date since July 1, 2018 is \$81,199.23. Three checks were written last month to William David Watling (\$243.74), Tata & Howard (\$1,115.79), and Meagan McCarthy (\$101.50).

Mr. Henry motioned acceptance of the Treasurer's Report as presented, Mr. Parker seconded, all in favor.

Members that were present signed the following invoices:

- Tata & Howard \$ 1,091.84
- William David Watling \$ 250.74
- Meagan McCarthy \$ 130.50

Mr. Pierce motioned payment of the above referenced invoices, Mr. Chase seconded, all in favor.

Mrs. Farinon motioned that we increase the salary of Ms. McCarthy to \$34/hour to make her salary consistent with other MRVWSPAC subcontractors, Mr. Parker seconded the motion, all in favor.

Mr. Henry motioned payment of \$395.54 to the MRVWDC to cover the August 2017 invoice that was erroneously charged to the District and should have been charged to the MRVWSPAC, Mr. Pierce seconded the motion, all in favor.

3. Mattapoissett River Valley Monitoring – 2013 Recommendations
Mr. O'Neale distributed a copy of the *2013 Mattapoissett River Hydrologic Monitoring Annual Report Recommendations* and recommended that the subcommittee set a meeting date to go over them.

Mr. O'Neale summarized that the shallow well by Tinkham Lane (MW 2S) is currently 2 feet above normal. The deep well at the same location is currently 8 feet above the 25th percentile, and they mirror each other as far as flow rates. The Acushnet Road flow rates are higher.

4. Discuss MRVWSPAC Soliciting a Financial Audit
Discussion ensued about the need to have a financial audit done on MRVWSPAC accounts. It was agreed by all that we should solicit and review names of firms that could complete the audit, and look into the possibility of utilizing the same firm that the MRVWDC uses.
5. Discuss Invitation From Marion Water Committee to April 25, 2019 event to discuss regional objectives
Mr. Pierce explained the history of regional cooperation in meeting water needs by local municipalities. Invitations have been sent to neighboring communities Boards of Selectmen and Water Commissions to attend the Marion Water Committee meeting on April 25, 2019 at 4:00 p.m. at the Marion Music Hall.

6. Old Business

Mr. O'Neale explained that Tata & Howard has historically paid for the renewals of web hosting for the MRVWSPAC because a credit card is needed. Tata & Howard recently paid for a 3 year renewal totaling \$443.61. Mr. Pierce motioned for payment of \$443.61 for three years of web hosting renewal, Mr. Henry seconded, all in favor.

7. New Business

Discussion ensued about the need to appoint new MRVWSPAC counsel. Mr. Pierce motioned that Chairman Furtado communicate with Attorney Blair Bailey and invite him to the next meeting of the MRVWSPAC on March 12, 2019, Mr. Parker seconded, all in favor.

Mr. Chase motioned to adjourn the meeting of the MRVWSPAC at 4:45 p.m., Mr. Parker seconded, all in favor.