

Mattapoisett River Valley
Water Supply Protection Advisory Committee
Meeting Minutes
January 15, 2019

The Mattapoisett River Valley Water Supply Protection Advisory Committee held a joint meeting with the Mattapoisett River Valley Water District Commission on Tuesday, January 15, 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 Jeffrey Furtado	appointed indefinitely appointed indefinitely
Town of Marion	Jonathan Henry David Pierce	term expires: 6/ 2021 term expires: 6/ 2021
Town of Mattapoisett	Dan Chase William Nicholson Henri Renaud	term expires: 4/ 2020 term expires: 4/ 2020 term expires: 4/ 2020
Town of Rochester	Rick Charon Laurell J. Farinon	term expires: 4/ 2021 term expires: 4/ 2021

Others in attendance were:

Meghan Davis Tata & Howard

Absent Members:

Randy Parker term expires: 6/ 2021
Mark Rees appointed indefinitely
Sandy Keese appointed indefinitely

Chairman Furtado called the meeting to order at 3:47 p.m.

1. Acceptance of minutes of the December 11, 2018 meeting
Mr. Pierce motioned acceptance of the minutes of the December 11, 2018 meeting, Mr. Nicholson seconded, all in favor.
2. Treasurer's Report
Treasurer Pierce distributed copies of the January 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 \$106,403.26, and total income to date since July 1, 2018 is \$81,199.23. Four checks were written last month to William David Watling (\$243.74 and \$113.00), Tata & Howard (\$342.42), and Meagan McCarthy (\$140.00).

Mr. Nicholson motioned acceptance of the Treasurer's Report as presented, Mr. Jeff Furtado seconded, all in favor.

Treasurer Pierce motioned that we increase the salaries of Ms. McCarthy and Mr. Watling by \$1 per hour, thus raising their hourly rates to \$29/hour and \$34 per hour respectively, Mrs. Farinon seconded the motion, all in favor.

Members that were present signed the following invoices:

- Tata & Howard \$ 1,115.79
- William David Watling \$ 243.74
- Meagan McCarthy \$ 101.50

Mr. Jeff Furtado motioned payment of the above referenced invoices, Mr. Nicholson seconded, all in favor.

3. 2018 Annual Report

Mrs. Farinon distributed copies of the 2018 MRVWSPAC Annual Report and summarized the list of group's accomplishments in the past year. Mr. Pierce motioned approval and submittal of the report to the respective member communities, Mr. Jeff Furtado seconded, all in favor.

Mr. Pierce recommended that everyone forward copies to their respective town clerks as well.

4. MRV Water Level Data – Annual Reports

Ms. Davis reported that the 2013 report has been finalized and submitted. The 2014 and 2015 reports have been completed: the data reports for 2016 and 2017 are complete but need recommendations. They have downloaded data from the USGS gauge at the Mattapoissett River. They are looking to analyze how to compare the two USGS gauges – Snipatuit Pond and the Mattapoissett River gauges. Tata & Howard requests that a subcommittee be formed to start reviewing the above referenced data, and decided upon the following committee members:

- Johnathan Henry, Town of Marion
- Jeff Furtado, Town of Fairhaven
- Henri Renauld, Town of Mattapoissett
- Rick Charon/Laurell Farinon/Town of Rochester

5. Old Business

Treasurer Pierce reported that he distributed signed copies of the approved assessments to the respective communities.

6. New Business

Discussion ensued about the MRVWSPAC website and it was agreed that the site needs to be updated with new officers and minutes.

Mr. Pierce motioned to adjourn the meeting of the MRVWSPAC at 4:19 p.m.,
Mr. Charon seconded, all in favor.