

Mattapoissett River Valley  
Water Supply Protection Advisory Committee  
Meeting Minutes  
December 8, 2020

The Mattapoissett River Valley Water Supply Protection Advisory Committee met on Tuesday, December 8, 2020 at 3:30 p.m. remotely using Zoom Meeting ID: 810 2987 8676 or by calling 1-646-876-9923.

In attendance:

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| Town of Fairhaven     | Vincent Furtado<br>Jeffrey Furtado | appointed indefinitely<br>appointed indefinitely |
| Town of Marion        | Meghan Davis<br>David Willett      | term expires: 6/2021<br>term expires: 6/2021     |
| Town of Mattapoissett | Dan Chase<br>William Nicholson     | term expires: 4/ 2020<br>term expires: 4/ 2020   |
| Town of Rochester     | Rick Charon<br>Laurell J. Farinon  | term expires: 4/ 2021<br>term expires: 4/ 2021   |

Others in attendance:

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| Jon Gregory  | Tata & Howard |
| Paul Howard  | Tata & Howard |
| Blair Bailey | Counsel       |
| Mick Colageo | The Wanderer  |
| David Pierce |               |

Absent Members:

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|---------------|------------------------|
| Randy Parker  | term expires: 6/2021   |
| Henri Renauld | term expires: 4/ 2020  |
| Sandy Keese   | appointed indefinitely |
| Mark Rees     | appointed indefinitely |

Chairman Vincent Furtado called the meeting to order at 3:30 p.m.

1. Acceptance of minutes of the November 10, 2020 meeting  
Mr. Nicholson motioned approval of the November 10, 2020 minutes with the correction that Mr. Paul Howard was absent at the last meeting, Mr. Chase seconded. The motion passed in a roll call vote of 6 in favor, 0 opposed, 2 abstained (6-0-2) with Mr. Willett and Ms. Davis abstaining.
2. Treasurer's Report  
Treasurer Jeffrey Furtado had e-mailed members the Treasurer's report which included expenses from July 1, 2020 through the end of November 2020.

Treasurer Furtado reported that total payments made since July 1, 2020 totaled \$19,368.78 and total income since July 1, 2020 totaled \$24,345.30.

Mr. Chase motioned acceptance of the Treasurer’s report as presented, Mr. Nicholson seconded, all in favor on a roll call vote of 8 in favor, 0 opposed, 0 abstained. (8-0-0)

Members that were present approved the following invoices:

- Blair Bailey \$ 50.00
- William David Watling \$ 252.09
- Tata & Howard \$4,924.24
- Meagan McCarthy \$ 170.00

Mr. Chase motioned to sign the vouchers on behalf of the MRVWSPAC, Mr. Nicholson seconded, all in favor. The motion passed in a roll call vote of 9 in favor, 0 opposed, 0 abstained (9-0-0).

3. Discuss Water Level Monitoring on the Mattapoisett River

Mrs. Farinon reminded members that this agenda item was added because Mr. Silva questioned the MRVWSPAC sending an invoice for \$5,000 annually to the MRVWDC to offset the costs of the monthly water level monitoring that is done on the Mattapoisett River. She reminded members that the MRVWSPAC has funded the monitoring for a number of years, as well as comprehensive reports that are prepared by Tata & Howard. Said reports are prepared mainly so that the MRVWDC can document water levels in anticipation of WMA permit renewals. She argued that not only was the cost justified, but the MRVWDC should probably be covering more of the costs.

Discussion ensued about Water Management Act permit renewals and Mr. Howard updated the group about the status of renewals.

4. Old Business

Mr. Nicholson asked about the status of monthly graphs that are prepared by Ms. McCarthy. Mr. Jeff Furtado reportedly that he receives them monthly and will forward them along to the MRVWSPAC in the future.

Mr. Gregory summarized efforts to purchase the dissolved oxygen probe for the Hach meter and calibration equipment. He reported that they are in the process of confirming the calibration requirements so that the proper supplies are ordered. Mr. Gregory further reported that Tata & Howard is investigating purchase of spare parts for the transducers.

Mr. Chase motioned to adjourn the meeting of the MRVWSPAC at 4:05 p.m., Mr. Charon seconded, all in favor. The motion passed in a roll call vote of 9 in favor, 0 opposed, 0 abstained (8-0-0).