

Mattapoissett River Valley  
Water Supply Protection Advisory Committee  
Meeting Minutes  
March 10, 2020

The Mattapoissett River Valley Water Supply Protection Advisory Committee met on Tuesday, March 10, 2020 at 3:45 p.m. at the Fairhaven Board of Public Works, 5 Arsene Street, Fairhaven, MA.

In attendance:

Town of Fairhaven	Jeffrey Furtado Vincent Furtado	appointed indefinitely appointed indefinitely
Town of Marion	David Pierce David Willett Randy Parker	term expires: 6/ 2021 term expires: 6/2021 term expires: 6/2021
Town of Mattapoissett	Dan Chase Henri Renaud William Nicholson	term expires: 4/ 2020 term expires: 4/ 2020 term expires: 4/ 2020
Town of Rochester	Laurell J. Farinon Sandy Keese	term expires: 4/ 2021 appointed indefinitely

Others in attendance were:

Blair Bailey	Counsel
Jon Gregory	Tata & Howard

Absent Members:

Mark Rees	appointed indefinitely
Rick Charon	term expires: 4/ 2021

Chairman Furtado called the meeting to order at 3:49 p.m.

1. Acceptance of minutes of the February 11, 2020 meeting  
Mr. Chase motioned approval of the February 11, 2020 meeting minutes, Mr. Parker seconded, all in favor.
2. Treasurer's Report  
Treasurer Pierce distributed copies of the March 1, 2020 Treasurer's Report and reported that the ending balance of the MRVWSPAC account was \$208,067.86. Total payments made since July 1, 2019 were \$9,805.15, and total income to date since July 1, 2019 is \$75,898.70. Four checks were written last month to Tata & Howard (\$1,866.91), William David Watling (\$252.09), Blair Bailey (\$50.00), and Meaghan McCarthy (\$187.00).

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

Members that were present signed the following invoices:

- Blair Bailey \$ 50.00
- William David Watling \$ 252.09
- Tata & Howard \$ 713.91

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

3. Update from MRVWSPAC Subcommittee exploring MRV pond weeds/invasives and water quality

The group still needs to review the RFP's prepared by Meghan Davis for invasive species management.

Mr. Gregory reported that he investigated purchase of a Hach meter at the request of Mrs. Farinon. Mrs. Farinon reported that she was contacted by the Snow's Pond Association (SPA) about the MRVWSPAC possibly purchasing equipment to begin the self-monitoring of Town's water bodies. The SPA's consultant suggested that a multipurpose HACH meter- which measures pH, Conductivity, Resistivity, Total Dissolved Solids (TDS) , Optical Dissolved Oxygen (DO), Biochemical Oxygen Demand (BOD), Oxidation Reduction Potential(ORP), Ammonia, Ammonium, Fluoride, Chloride, Sodium and temperature.

Mr. Gregory reported that the unit will cost approximately \$2,400 for a dual-input Hach unit; however additional calibration equipment and probes are necessary. Mr. Renauld explained that he has used these units before and recommended a saline solution calibration package, and that the unit would need to be sent out once a year. It was agreed by all that it would be best to have Tata & Howard order the unit and get reimbursement from the MRVWSPAC. Mr. Pierce motioned that the MRVWSPAC approve Tata & Howard purchasing the Hach meter and additional required equipment for an amount up to \$3,000, Mr. Renauld seconded, all in favor.

4. Regional Meeting of Water Officials to be held at Marion Town House, April 30, 2020 at 4:00 p.m.

Mr. Pierce reminded members about the meeting to be held of regional water officials to discuss what is going on in MRV communities. The meetings have been well attended and very productive in the past. The meeting is scheduled for April 30, 2020 at 4:00 p.m.

Mrs. Farinon presented to Chairman Furtado a Special Permit application and plan for the Braley Hill Road, Rochester solar project. Chairman Furtado will review the project with the subcommittee and report back.

Mr. Chase motioned to adjourn the meeting of the MRVWSPAC at 4:15 p.m., Ms. Jeff Furtado seconded, all in favor.