

Mattapoisett River Valley
Water Supply Protection Advisory Committee
Meeting Minutes
May 12, 2020

The Mattapoisett River Valley Water Supply Protection Advisory Committee met on Tuesday, May 12, 2020 at 3:30 p.m. remotely using Zoom Meeting ID: 885 1873 6998 or by calling 1-646-876-9923.

In attendance:

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

Others in attendance were:

Blair Bailey	Counsel
Jon Gregory	Tata & Howard
Paul Howard	Tata & Howard
Matt Donato	The Wanderer

Absent Members:

Henri Renauld	term expires: 4/ 2020
Mark Rees	appointed indefinitely

Chairman Furtado called the meeting to order at 3:36 p.m.

1. Acceptance of minutes of the April 14h 10, 2020 meeting
Mr. Pierce motioned approval of the April 14, 2020 meeting minutes, Mr. Nicholson seconded, all in favor with Mr. Parker abstaining. The motion passed in a roll call vote of 10 in favor, 0 opposed, 1 abstained (10-0-1).
2. Treasurer's Report
Treasurer Pierce had forwarded copies of the May 12, 2020 Treasurer's Report via e-mail in advance of the meeting, and reported that the ending balance of the MRVWSPAC account was \$204,463.09. Total payments made since July 1, 2019 were \$13,499.23, and total income to date since July 1,

2019 is \$75,988.01. Three checks were written last month to Tata & Howard (\$2,375.99), William David Watling (\$252.09), and Blair Bailey (\$50.00).

Mr. Parker motioned acceptance of the Treasurer's Report as presented, Ms. Keese seconded, all in favor. The motion passed in a roll call vote of 11 in favor, 0 opposed, 0 abstained (11-0-0).

Members that were present signed the following invoices:

• Blair Bailey	\$ 50.00
• William David Watling	\$ 252.09
• Tata & Howard	\$ 11,909.19

Mr. Pierce motioned payment of the above referenced invoices, Mr. Parker seconded, all in favor. The motion passed in a roll call vote of 11 in favor, 0 opposed, 0 abstained (11-0-0).

3. Update from Tata & Howard on HACH Meter Purchase
Mr. Gregory reported that the Hach meter was delivered to the Town of Rochester. Mrs. Farinon thanked Mr. Gregory for his patience and efforts in coordinating the purchase.
4. Discuss Protocol for Processing Invoices Remotely
Mr. Pierce motioned that while we are meeting remotely that chairman Furtado and Mr. Renauld be authorized to sign, approve and process MRVWSPAC invoices, Mr. Parker seconded, all in favor. The motion passed in a roll call vote of 11 in favor, 0 opposed, 0 abstained (11-0-0).
5. Discuss MA DEP Water Quality Management Grant
The grant is highly competitive and the RFR was released on April 24, 2020. Mr. Gregory reported that he sat in on a call about the 604B Water Quality Management Grant which funds water quality assessments and management plan grants ranging from \$25,000 - \$50,000. Discussion ensued about the level of effort that may be required to apply for the grant versus the likelihood of receiving the grant. It was agreed by all to wait for future grant round until water monitoring efforts are more firmly established at Snow's Pond and/or Snipatuit Pond.
6. Discuss Purchase of New Monitoring Well Electronic Measuring Device
Mr. Renauld is working on this purchase and was not in attendance, so this agenda item will be discussed at the next meeting.
7. Review Solar Array Project on Featherbed Lane and Snipatuit Road
Mr. Furtado explained that the MRVWSPAC that reviews projects reviewed the Featherbed Lane and Snipatuit Road, and determined that they were

relatively benign. Mr. Pierce motioned approval of the two projects reviewed by the subcommittee and that the MRVWSPAC authorize the chairman to send approval letters to the Rochester Planning Board, Ms. Keese seconded all in favor with Mrs. Farinon and Mr. Charon abstaining. The motion passed in a roll call vote of 9 in favor, 0 opposed, 2 abstained (9-0-2).

8. Farewell party for Retiring Members to be held on June 18, 2020 at 6:00 p.m. It was agreed by all that the current Covid-19 situation may be protracted and that the farewell party will be postponed indefinitely in hopes that a date can be set possibly in the fall.

Treasurer Pierce reminded members that the annual MRV monitoring invoice for \$5,000 needs to be sent to the MRVWDC. Mrs. Farinon committed to handling that task.

Mr. Pierce motioned to adjourn the meeting of the MRVWSPAC at 4:12 p.m., Mr. Parker seconded, all in favor. The motion passed in a roll call vote of 11 in favor, 0 opposed, 0 abstained (11-0-0).