

Mattapoissett River Valley
 Water Supply Protection Advisory Committee
 Meeting Minutes
 March 9, 2021

The Mattapoissett River Valley Water Supply Protection Advisory Committee met on Tuesday, March 9, 2021 at 3:30 p.m. remotely using Zoom Meeting ID: 828 1802 7732 or by calling 1-646-876-9923.

In attendance:

Town of Fairhaven	Vincent Furtado Jeffrey Furtado Wendy Graves	appointed indefinitely appointed indefinitely appointed indefinitely
Town of Marion	Meghan Davis David Willett	term expires: 6/2021 term expires: 6/2021
Town of Mattapoissett	William Nicholson Henri Renaud	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:	Jon Gregory Paul Howard Blair Bailey Mick Colageo David Pierce	Tata & Howard Tata & Howard Counsel The Wanderer
Absent Members:	Randy Parker Sandy Keese Dan Chase	term expires: 6/2021 appointed indefinitely term expires: 4/ 2020

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

1. Acceptance of minutes of the February 9, 2021 meeting
 Mr. Nicholson motioned approval of the February 9, 2021 with a notation to fix the date in the first paragraph, Mr. Vinnie Furtado seconded. The motion passed in a roll call vote of 6 in favor, 0 opposed, 2 abstentions (6-2) with Ms. Graves and Mr. Jeff Furtado abstaining.

2. Treasurer's Report
 Treasurer Jeffrey Furtado had e-mailed members the Treasurer's report in advance of the meeting which included expenses from July 1, 2020 through the end of February 2021. Treasurer Furtado reported that total payments made since July 1, 2020 totaled \$27,710.64 and total income since July 1,

2020 totaled \$85,724.40 with a total ending balance as of March 1, 2021 of \$244,027.56. Mr. Charon motioned acceptance of the Treasurer's report as presented, Ms. Davis 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 \$ 251.72
- Tata & Howard \$ 3,405.03
- Meghan McCarthy \$ 187.00

Mr. Nicholson motioned to approve the vouchers on behalf of the MRVWSPAC, Mr. Vinnie Furtado seconded, all in favor. The motion passed on a roll call vote of 8 in favor, 0 opposed, 0 abstained (8-0-0).

3. Discuss MRV Monitoring Equipment

Mr. Gregory reported that Tata & Howard has coordinated the ordering of a Solinst Levellogger and backup equipment which arrived safely. The Hach probe and calibration fluid also arrived. Tata & Howard will meet with Mr. Watling to update equipment.

Mr. Gregory learned since the last meeting that the flow reader that Mr. Watling uses for monthly MRV monitoring is no longer functioning properly. Tata & Howard contacted the manufacturer and believes the problem is the battery/computer. Mr. Gregory estimates that the cost of the battery should not exceed \$500.

Mr. Vinnie Furtado motioned that the MRVWSPAC authorize Tata & Howard to purchase a replacement battery at a not to exceed cost of \$500, Mr. Renault seconded, all in favor on a roll call vote of 8 in favor, 0 opposed, 1 abstained. (8-0-1)

4. Old Business

Mr. Pierce asked about the status of the subcommittee's efforts to investigate invasive species. Mr. Gregory reported about the subcommittee's meetings to discuss pond weeds and Phragmites. Mr. Charon went out in his boat on Snipatuit Pond and identified 13 large stands of Phragmites on the pond. Discussion ensued about the need for a pond evaluation prior to committing to Phragmites or pond weed management.

5. New Business

Mrs. Farinon reported that the scientist working for the Snow's Pond Association, Hillary Kenyon Garovoy of Northeast Aquatic Research, LLC, requested that the MRVWSPAC provide raw .csv data for Snow's Pond water levels. Ms. Garovoy stated it can be useful in verifying watershed nutrient

loading estimates - particularly if the Town decides to move forward with a Watershed Based Plan using the MA DEP land-use model web application. It was agreed by all that Tata & Howard will provide the .csv data to share with Northeast Aquatic Research.

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