

**Prudence Island Water District
Minutes of meeting held April 3, 2010**

Call to Order

Meeting was called to order at 1 p.m. Present were David Buffum, moderator, Phillip Brooks and Robert Hanson, and William Capron, system manager were also present. Absent were Patricia Richard, treasurer Leo Perrotta and Richard Brooks.

Approval of minutes

Minutes of meetings January 30, 2010 and March 13th, 2010, and a revised minutes of January 9th, 2010 were presented, and discussed.

Phillip Brooks made a motion to approve the minutes of January 30th, 2010, March 13th, 2010 David Buffum seconded the motion, the vote was two for approval(P Brooks,D Buffum) and one abstain,(R Hanson). Motion passed.

Phillip Brooks made a motion to approve the minutes of January 9th, 2010 as revised, Robert Hanson seconded, vote; passed unanimously.

Administrative

Purchasing/Treasury

Annual report printed and mailed to electors.

March expenses were \$5918.15, excluding ,quarterly RI taxes,monthly RI taxes and Federal Monthly taxes. Estimate \$1600-\$1800 for these items.

Current account balances:

BOA balance \$38,402; Citizens balance \$55,861.14 for a total of \$94263.88. Undeposited funds; \$1125 in water revenue and \$2928.66 in escrow closing for a total of \$4053.66. Total Funds \$98317.54, less opening balance equity of \$32,700 for net operating funds of \$65617.54.

Insurance renewal application from RI Interlocal almost completed but not sent yet.

Waiting for a call from one of their reps to complete it,and callback didn't come until Friday(4/2/10).

Customer accounts and billing

Final notices were to go out but was put on hold due to upheaval from flooding.

Advertisement-Request for Backhoe Lease

Reviewed and discussed Notice and Backhoe Lease/Rental package.

Phillip Brooks made a motion to accept notice and package as presented, Robert Hanson seconded . vote; passed unanimously.

Technical

Systems managers report -

Monthly coliform test for District wells came back negative. All wells except Bristol colony well were below reporting levels for nitrates. Bristol colony well was reportable but below the standards for failure.(reporting limit .05mg/ltr Bristol colony was at .39mg/ltr).All wells were above the reporting limit for sodium.Reporting limit is 1mg/ltr. Army camp was at 4.56mg/ltr, Indian spring # 1- 8.25 mg/ltr, Indian spring # 4- 5.67mg/ltr, Bristol Colony well at 8.36mg/ltr.. Philip Brooks asked how these numbers compared to last year. Will only was able to find records for two wells (Army camp,Indain spgs #4) both of which were lower. He will look further for the rest of the data.

Monthly distribution coliform bacteria sample was negative.

Air bleed devise at broadway pumphouse failed and was removed. This has failed in the past and is a constant source of trouble, it isn't necessary for the operation of the pumps so it will not be replaced.

Chief marshall informed Will of the need to fill a tanker so Will monitored the Broadway pumphouse and noted the pressure dropped 6 psi with Army camp well on. Pressure dropped to zero when the jet pump came on but was able to draw water, and operated properly. It will be necessary to shut off the jet pumps if the army camp well is offline. Nate and Shannon have been informed of the new procedures.Fire Dep't and police up to date on procedures.

Greer tank has been decontaminated and remains full. A tee and sample bib was installed at drain line.

Will need a new cover gasket to get correct seal so that positive pressure can be maintained in the tank.

Owner of property at 0964 Narragansett ave., says curbstop doesn't shut off completely and water pressure is poor.

Poor pressure may be due to rusting in line leading to house. Will replace curbstop and while there will update flushing hydrant at same location.

Leak reported at 0458 Narragansett ave., water shutoff and termination of service notice posted.

Met with Town of Portsmouth Public Works,(they wanted district to apply for road cut permits and adhere to ordinances passed in 1996 regarding standard of road work.) and gave them copies of sections 14,29,30,and31 of District charter stating the districts requirements with regards to doing work on public roadways. Will provided a notification to perform work form, so they will get informed whenever we will be doing work on public roadways.

Made up estimate to relocate curbstop at 028 Harrett ave. due to new septic system installation.
Talked with Verizon repair person and informed him of corporate error in determining line location near town garage.
Verizon person will followup to see how the error occurred.

The Flood

Mill creek flooded to well heads but didn't overflow into wells. Office at world headquarters had some water but no damage to office.

Will continue to dig and locate leak on line near town Garage, will install new line since ground will be open.

Streamflow /test wells will be monitored next weekend.

New Business

No correspondence

Other

Robert Hanson inquired if we were required to test the wells after the flooding.

Will said as long as the system wasn't compromised there was no requirement to test.

The board asked that wells be tested before bringing on line if they are offline for any length of time to be safe.

Phillip Brooks said he has heard a lot of positive feedback as to the water quality, David Buffum also added the positive feedback with regards to Wills quick response to service inquiries.

Phillip Brooks made a motion to adjourn, Robert Hanson seconded, vote was unanimous, meeting adjourned at 2:30 pm.