

**Prudence Island Water District Board of Directors
Minutes of Meeting held 5/11/13**

Call to Order. Meeting called to order at 1:05 p.m. Present were Moderator Harry Sterling; Board Members George DeChambeau (Treasurer), Martha Fuller (Clerk), and David Buffum. A quorum was present. Also present, System Manager Will Capron and Office Manager Donna Hammann.

Approve Minutes. George DeChambeau moved to approve the minutes of April 13, David Buffum seconded. Passed unanimously.

Treasurer's Report. David Buffum moved to approve the Treasurer's Report, Martha Fuller seconded. Passed unanimously.

FIP Report on well exploration. 80% of the paperwork has been completed for PIWD application to USDA for grant to fund FIP. Possible future expense and positive and negative aspects of treatment plant were discussed. Northeast Water Solutions is continuing to look for new sources.

Discuss Setting Fine. Deferred.

Desalination Review. George DeChambeau introduced information on a barge-based approach to desalination. Must consult Department of Health to find out what its requirements may be.

Choose engineering firm for next stage of System Improvement Projects. After extensive discussion, Martha Fuller moved that the Board choose Wright-Pierce Engineering. David Buffum seconded. Approved unanimously.

Office Manager's Report. Clarification on restoring service after shutoff for non-payment. Water will be turned back on within two business days after receipt of payment.

Donna Hammann will be taking a class to help with maintaining PIWD Website.

Funds deposited: \$172,701.79; undeposited \$710.

System Manager's Report.

Cleared the rest of evergreen branches from Third Street. Davey Tree Service then cut trees around and on electrical/telephone lines. We then cleaned up this pile of tree limbs, vines, and logs.

Cleared Fairview of bull brier, bittersweet, barberry, poison ivy and small trees.

Submersible pump in IS #4 well replaced, old pump & motor cleaned up in case of emergency. One length of pipe was rusting and not reinstalled. Borehole inspection of IS #4. Major horizontal fracture at 170'. Disinfected well, sample positive for total coliform; disinfected again last weekend, sample again positive. Informed Harry and Bob Ferrari of

NEWS, disinfected again this weekend. We are just able to keep up with demand for water with the Army Camp and IS #1 wells.

IS #1 well continues to lose productivity. Suggest borehole inspection.

Major leak on service line to 0110 Narragansett Avenue. This is the third leak here since last fall. Informed homeowner service line needs replacement.

Received another request from Mount Hope Engineering to OK an individual septic disposal system (ISDS) within the 25' normal separation distance. Went to DEM HQ and talked with Brian Moore to enlighten me on separation distances and to voice my concerns with regards to this ISDS. The proposed distance was lengthened and OK by Mr. Moore. Wrote letter to Todd Chaplin at Mount Hope Engineering for this ISDS at 40 Cliff Road.

Did stream flow and well monitoring for April. While at Broadway could hear the pumps running. A customer with a fishpond had a crew working on fishpond and using too much water. Customer lowered flow of water to not overwork pumps.

Bruce Shaw worked on Broadway pump house.

Changed oil on all generators, mowers, and the ground pounder.

Cut grass at Broadway, Army Camp, Big Blue, Governor Paine, and Allen Lane. Most areas need to be cut again but we don't have the manpower to do projects and keep up with maintenance.

Turned off customer per Donna. (Another customer without a proper curb stop was already off.)

Picked up engineering qualifications from Donna.

Picked up another load of green patch. Was informed there will be a new owner of Pawtucket Asphalt. We can take as much green patch as we want until new owner takes over in June. Talked with Pat Rossi about hauling some to island.

Adjournment. Philip Brooks moved, David Buffum seconded. Approved unanimously.