

Prudence Island Water District Board of Directors

Minutes of Meeting held 10/12/13

Call to Order. Present were Moderator Harry Sterling; Clerk Martha Fuller; Board Members Bill Silvia, Jan Northby, Philip Brooks. A quorum was present. Also present, Office Manager Donna Hammann, System Manager Will Capron, and Ann Marie Lockwood.

Approve Minutes, September 14, 2013. Philip Brooks moved to approve, Jan Northby seconded. Passed unanimously.

Treasurer's Report. The Board reviewed the report.

First Review of 2013-2014 Budget. The Board made some suggestions to modify the proposed budget; will vote on it at the next meeting.

Discuss rate schedule for 2014. The Board votes on proposed new rate, the rate is posted, a public hearing is held, the Board has a final vote and the rate is to go into effect on January 1, 2014. Philip Brooks moved, Martha Fuller seconded, that the Board propose a \$550 annual rate. Passed unanimously.

Clarification of Bylaws concerning payments for service and late payments. Martha Fuller moved, Jan Northby seconded, to amend the Bylaws to include clarifying language on procedures to deal with late payments. Passed unanimously.

Report on Army Camp well. Moderator Sterling will seek clarification from the hydrologist.

Elect Moderator and Clerk Pro Tempore. Bill Silvia moved, Martha Fuller seconded, that Philip Brooks should serve as Moderator Pro Tempore, and Donna Hammann as Clerk Pro Tempore. Passed unanimously.

Fire Hydrant. The Board sees extreme risks in connecting a fire hydrant to the PIWD system, and will not consider it.

Schedule for Narragansett Avenue line and Army Camp well house: The project is proceeding.

Office Manager's report: \$136,853.78 in bank. \$2,421.00 undeposited funds.

System Manager's report:

Water sample for Department of Health special project taken from Indian Spring #4, Army Camp and Bristol Colony wells.

Water sample for September absent of bacteria.

Grounds maintenance at all installations and undeveloped roads.

Did prep work at Indian Spring (excavated to pitless adapter) and Army Camp (removed part of roof) before geologists and well crew arrived. Assisted and oversaw geologists and well surging crew. Submersible pumps and water/electrical lines disinfected and reinstalled into wells. Wells disinfected, circulated, flushed and water samples taken to check for bacteria. Army Camp positive.

Installed curb stop to 060 Third Street.

Installed flushing hydrant at southern end of Narragansett Avenue.

Received several requests to locate curb stops. Successful at 0704, 0837 and 060 Narragansett Avenue, unsuccessful at 042 Homestead Avenue.

Re-aligned curb box to 052 Beech Road.

Removed excess material and re-seeded where water line was upgraded and flushing hydrant and curb stop were installed on Second Street.

Streamflow and well monitoring done for September. While driving down Bat Avenue Alton's hand brushed against some grass and about a dozen nymph ticks jumped off onto his hand and arm. Would like to purchase hedge trimmer/brush cutter. Have received three bids, will proceed with purchase.

Philip Brooks moved, Jan Northby seconded, to go into executive session. Passed unanimously.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

RIGL 42-46-5(a)(5) Discussion related to acquisition or lease of real property for public purposes: land for new water source.

RETURN TO OPEN SESSION

Philip Brooks moved to seal Executive Session minutes, Bill Silvia seconded. Passed unanimously.

OPEN SESSION

Adjourn