

Water Board Meeting Minutes 10.11.21

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JS reviewed operating and capital improvement fund balances. Question for town attorneys: if we wanted to increase the percentage of income going to capital improvement fund, can we do that or do we need to go through a process, etc.?

Infrastructure grant money should be available soon thanks to pandemic relief, etc. We should start to think about what capital improvements we want to make to infrastructure. TC recommends considering hydrant replacement before pipe replacement.

29 meters are “deep” and will need excavation to be replaced. This is less than what was anticipated. MJ points out that if it takes a while to replace these, it’s not too burdensome to do manual readings until replacement occurs (about 3 hour’s labor).

TC USIC update: they won’t tell Tom who called the locates in because Tom’s not on the account. Mark is going to become the designated person so he can find out. The appropriate form has been filled out for that to happen.

Water rate increase was approved at the town council special meeting. It is in effect as of October 1. Julia in the process of working with the software company to get the changes incorporated. Should be all set for January billing.

Additional employee required training: Tom worked with some going over hydrant inspection. All our requirements are complete for the year. We have records of completed trainings.

JS gave quick demo of Zenner software.

We should find out about how much ARP money we might get prior to the end of the year.

Hydrant flushing is complete. Approximately 63 hydrants were flushed. We need to keep that in mind when looking at our usage with American Water.

Meter readings: first two days, Gallo plus 3 workers, third day Gallo plus 2 workers. So about 84 hours. They are more familiar with the locations which makes it go faster.

Potential for a presentation by Water Works in February to town to give an annual report on water usage, revenue, etc.

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