# Franconia Water Department Meeting

# Thursday August 19, 2021 Town Hall 5pm

<u>In Attendance:</u> Water Commissioner Kevin Johnson, Water Commissioners Jeff Bartlett and Ted Cammann via Zoom, Water Department Office Administrator, Rachel Pluchino and LRW Operator, Pete Hilton.

Kevin **motions** to open the meeting at 5:01pm. Ted seconds and the meeting begins.

## **Approval of Past Meeting Minutes:**

**Motion** to accept the minutes of the July 8<sup>th</sup> 2021 meeting was made by Kevin, seconded by Jeff, and approved unanimously.

#### **Approval of YTD Financial:**

**Motion** to accept the YTD Financials was made by Kevin, seconded by Ted and approved unanimously.

### **Pete Update:**

- Mittersill Project has been completed on Mittersill Road and Woodchuck Trail.
- **Deer Pass** will be a project for next year, Pete will be looking into material costs and early purchase of materials.
- **Bridal Veil** connect is being resolved.
- Alarm system for VTscada is not dialing through or sending alert notifications. Rachel will look into issue to see what is going on.
- We have 5 meters in need of calibration 3 in Franconia/2 Mittersill Stiles will be contacted.
- Franconia Pump House will be looking into distribution meter for future use. Rachel will assist.
- **Slalom Lane leak** Decrease in water usage but still have irregular readings. Possible 2<sup>nd</sup> leak. Pete will be looking further into issue.

## **Rachel Update:**

- **Asset Management Plan**: Asset Management plan continues as work in progress. Rachel will be looking into current and future grants available to aid in this process.
- **WGSB:** Application completed with Steve Plant, Treasurer. We should have approval before end of September.
- Governance: Vote will take place at September meeting to remove 6% from billing system.
- **October Expo and Trade Show**: Motion for registration expenditure and mileage reimbursement made by Kevin, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Ted and approved unanimously.
- **Windows 7 upgrade**: Rachel will be looking into upgrading our computer system as we are still running Windows 7. We have a contract through the Town of Franconia to utilized Certified Computers

## **Update on NBRC grant application:**

We were not approved for the NBRC grant this year. We will be applying again next year.

# **Decommissioning of Fire Hydrants**:

Decommissioning of fire hydrants will be started after completion of Mittersill Project.

## **Access to Wells in Mittersill:**

Per Pete it appears gravel has been put down along access to Mittersill wells.

#### **Garnet Hill/Main Street Project:**

There will be further discussion at September meeting regarding strategic planning of situation.

## **Gale Well Pit Flooding:**

Pete is working on issue. We will continue discussion at September meeting.

#### Mittersill Well "6":

Discussion will continue at September meeting as it is still being worked on.

## **Main Street Valve Installation:**

Discussion will be continued at September meeting. Reference: Garnet Hill

**Motion** made by Kevin to adjourn the meeting at 5:56pm and seconded by Jeff. Decided on unanimously to end meeting.