## FRANCONIA WATER DEPARTMENT MEETING MINUTES January 12, 2017

The Franconia Water Commissioners met on January 12, 2017 at the Franconia Town Hall. The meeting was called to order at 9:00 am.

Members present: Rich McLachlin, Joan Hartford and Ray Peltier

Also present: Pete Hilton from LRW

Approved the minutes of the December 21, 2016 meeting.

The minutes of the December 21, 2016 meeting have not as yet been placed on the town web site. The chart showing the updated charges for the water department has also not been placed on the town web site.

The most recent meter reading and billing was based on our new schedule of meter rental charges and increased cost of water used. The final billing was approximately \$60,000 whereas the last quarter's billing was \$84,500. We erroneously charged a \$50 rental fee for the 5/8" meter instead of \$60. That error cost the town >\$2000. That error will be corrected by the next quarter's meter read. Our records indicate that we sold 2 million fewer gallons of water in the current quarter.

We received a firm quote of \$18,000 to install an aluminum ladder onto the Mittersill water tank and this job will be performed in the spring as soon an the weather permits.

Five trees surrounding the Mittersill water tank will be removed in the spring or earlier. Because of financial constraints we will delay painting the inside and the outside of that storage until 2018.

A new meter will be installed at the Gale well. The three storage tanks at the Franconia Village site will have to be inspected as part of a State mandate requiring inspection every 5 years.

The schedule of meetings for balance of the first quarter of 2017:

February 8th March 8th April 12th Open meeting

The meeting was adjourned at 10:30 AM

Ray Peltier Water Commissioner