## MFN Regional Wastewater Meeting February 4, 2020

## MEETING MINUTES

COMMISSIONERS PRESENT: Mansfield:

Michael Trowbridge, MFN Secretary

Mansfield:

Jess Aptowitz

Norton:

Mike Yunits, MFN Chairman

Norton:

Diane McElligott

Foxboro:

Richard Pacella

**EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR:** 

Lee Azinheira

COMMISSIONERS ABSENT:

Mansfield:

Matthew Teixeira

Foxboro:

Chris Gallagher, MFN Vice Chairman

**GUESTS PRESENT:** 

Chris Rositer, MFN

Renee Gauthier, Secretary

1) Approval of Meeting Minutes (1-7-20) Discussion:

Motion:

To approve Meeting Minutes of 1-7-20.

(Trowbridge/Aptowitz); all in favor; unanimous.

2) Update of Construction Projects

a) Contract No.1 - WPCF Upgrade and Expansion Project

Discussion: Lee said they are getting everything finished up. Chris said the vibration issues with Pump No. 2 have been taken care of.

3) Approval of Bills

Discussion - Warrant 20-13: Lee explained that this is part of SRF loan payments; a formality as the check has gone out. Jess inquired if John was still involved with the payments and financials; Lee said yes, he still reviews the warrants and payments. His laptop has been set up and he emailed reports prior to meeting.

**Motion:** To approve Warrant 20-13 in the amount of \$28,953.06.

(Trowbridge/Aptowitz); all in favor; unanimous.

**Motion:** To approve Expense Warrant 20-14 in the amount of \$147,386.12.

(Trowbridge/Aptowitz); all in favor; unanimous.

Discussion - Warrant 20-15: This payment is for the debt service on design that the MFN bonded, which is due before the next meeting.

**Motion:** To approve Warrant 20-15 in the amount of \$228,000.00.

(Trowbridge/Aptowitz); all in favor; unanimous.

## 4) Community Updates

a) Mansfield

Lee discussed the railroad right of way, stated that he met with Mansfield's Counsel as the state wants title searches done on every piece/parcel. He said the MFN may need to do a land taking in order to get clear title once and for all. Mike inquired who pays for each town's title searches; Lee explained that each town would pay for their own. Diane stated that if the MFN needs to do the land taking, perhaps Joe Cove, MFN Attorney should review all of the title searches to ensure that the work each town does will be acceptable for the requirements. Lee explained that MassDOT standards far exceed normal requirements. Lee said once the title searches are complete, we need to provide beyond any doubt that MFN owns it. Mike Yunits said he heard from Norton's legal firm, they have started the title searches for Norton's portion and they have come across some issues. Mike Trowbridge explained that he felt that each Town needs to pay for their share of the cost and Diane was in agreement. Lee said the Town of Mansfield bought the land for the interceptor from the railroad company in Federal Bankruptcy Court. Mike Trowbridge said that the Town of Mansfield has a deed for the interceptor.

- b) Foxborough Nothing new.
- c) Norton Nothing new.

5) Executive Director's Report

Mike Trowbridge inquired about the plant flow, if it truly is running only 2.6 million gallons per day. He said it appears that the infiltration was down; Chris Rositer explained that actually it is running a little under that. Lee said the infiltration is down since some of the mains have been lined, Central Street to West and some other areas.

6) Any Items Not Anticipated 48 Hours Prior To This Meeting

- 7) Future Agenda Items -
- 8) Next Meeting March 3, 2020; 6PM

Motion:

To adjourn at 6:17 PM.

(Trowbridge/Aptowitz); all in favor; unanimous.

Respectfully submitted, Michael Trowbridge

Signature of District Secretary

Date of Acceptance