

TOWN OF BROOKFIELD
Water Department
MEETING MINUTES
December 8, 2021

Posted Meeting: The meeting of the Brookfield Water Department was called to order at 11:00 a.m. in the office of the Water Department.

In Attendance: Don Taft and Robert Barnes

Superintendent: Dennis Clarke

Minutes taken by Administrative Assistant, Holly Chisholm

Minutes

Commissioners approved the minutes of August 30th with the revision under rates. Commissioners passed over the October minutes until Al Jones is able to attend the January meeting.

Billing

All billing has been approved and signed by the commissioners.

Planning Board

Mr. Taft suggested emailing the Planning Board regarding the available capacity in the water system for new buildable lots with access to tie into the water system.

Commitment

Commissioners signed the forth commitment for fy22.

Bulk Water #4 commitment for \$4,020.63.

Annual Report

Mr. Taft will contact Kelly to discuss the structure for the Annual Report.

Lenard Engineering

Lenard Engineering has completed the preliminary base plan for the Central St. project and is now working on the final plan.

Supplies

Mr. Barnes asked if the Dept. will be using the pipe in storage for the Central St. project. Dennis stated that we will be using all new pipe purchased through the contractor due to it's guarantee and will be keeping all the material in storage for future projects when needed. This will be added to the inventory list.

Water Line

Dennis discussed the possibility of a water line for a sprinkler system in the Town Hall to be included in the Central St. project. Dennis stated that we will not be able to use our engineer for the design and will need to hire a Fire Protection Engineer for the project.

Fill Station

Dennis stated that he and Chief Martel discussed replacing the old hydrant by the Police Station with a new one for the Fire Dept.

Well O2G

Dennis contacted F G Sullivan for testing on well O2G due to excessive clogging. He stated that well O3G will also need to be cleaned but O2G will take priority. Both will be attended to this winter. Mr. Barnes suggested getting two more quotes for the well development. Dennis asked Kelly if this was necessary. Kelly stated that we will need the three quotes to stay in compliance with regulations. Commissioners voted in favor of pursuing the three quotes.

Standpipe

The proposal for the interior restoration in the standpipe came in at \$165,000.00 from Liquid Engineering. Dennis will follow up on reevaluating this situation and reach out to the company that built the standpipe for further discussion on the possible deterioration of the interior lining.

Work Plan

Mr. Taft handed out a twenty year work plan for the commissioners to review. Dennis is working on a three year plan with associated costs.

Budget

Commissioners briefly discussed the 6.2% inflation rate and the new billing software program for the new budget. They will also be discussing the Superintendents renewed contract. Budget discussion will continue at the next meeting.

Adjourn

Commissioners have agreed to adjourn the meeting at 12:13 p.m. Donald Taft will post the next meeting for January 12, 2021.