

**Bangor Water District
Board of Trustees**

**Minutes of the
Regular Monthly Meeting
July 15, 2014**

The regular meeting of the Bangor Water District Board of Trustees was held at 3:45 p.m. in the Hughes Building, 614 State Street. Present were:

Rick Fournier
Patty Hamilton
Stan Miller
Robert Sypitkowski
Dan Wellington

being more than a quorum of Trustees. Absent: Trustee Lawler and Palmer. Also in attendance: General Manager Moriarty, District Engineer Pershken, Finance Manager Bailey, Water Quality Manager Page, and Mike Howie, BWD's forestry consultant. The clerk kept the minutes.

Minutes: The minutes of the June meeting were accepted as corrected.

Treasurer's Report: Bailey indicated water consumption for the month was slightly higher than budgeted, and that expenses year-to-date were higher than budgeted due to leak repairs and allocation of wages to non-capital jobs. After discussion, the Treasurer's Report was accepted as presented.

Progress Report: as presented.

Public Comment Period: None.

Harvest analysis: Taking the agenda item out of order, Page reviewed the history of watershed forestry management, including the "sustainable yield" level and the overall goal of watershed protection vs. revenue. In summary, the District is meeting its forestry goals of not over-harvesting, protecting water quality, and developing saleable forestry stock.

Old Business:

Engineer's Report: Pershken reported that

- Broad Street – water line installation portion of project almost complete.
- Main Street – 3,600 feet of pipe installed with 3,000 pressure-tested and chlorinated. Now working on connecting service lines and side streets with new main. Final paving for water main scheduled for week of July 20.
- Union Street bridge replacement – BWD due back at work site at end of July.

- BIA cross-base main lining project – contractor on site to scour and line pipe. Less pipe than anticipated will be done due to an unknown bend in the pipe run, through which the lining equipment cannot pass
- Verizon inquiry – interest in locating antenna on Essex Street standpipe. Board consensus was for staff to continue discussions and obtain more information.
- York Street leak – repair lasted almost 24 hours, due to shutdown complications. Notices delivered door to door to keep customers informed. Leak occurred on 12-inch line (1940's vintage).

Planning document update: Moriarty reviewed six months of progress on goals for 2014.

State Street leak update: Moriarty updated the Board on final clean-up costs and insurance reimbursement for the 20-inch leak in the field behind State St facilities. Damage and loss totaled \$31,800, with about \$5,800 not covered by insurance for the cost of repair of the pipe.

Health insurance update: Moriarty updated the Board on the 2013 switch in health plans under Maine Municipal Employees Health Trust, which provides comparable coverage but comes with a deductible. BWD is funding part of the deductible, but Moriarty said savings to date as a result of the plan change equal \$128,000.

New Business:

Ozone contact basin inspection: Moriarty described the process to inspect ozone diffusers at the Butler treatment plant. Diffusers that are no longer functioning efficiently are replaced (typically every 12 -18 months); this reduces the need for higher ozone doses and increased electrical use.

Board meeting information site: Moriarty offered directions on accessing information presented at the Board meeting electronically.

Board correspondence: as presented.

Other business: Moriarty reported that

- a final candidate for the water treatment operator position would be chosen shortly
- an employee in the engineering department had resigned, and the position will be posted
- the summer tour of Thomas Hill Standpipe is scheduled for July 23 from 5 – 9 p.m.

Hearing no further business to come before the meeting, it was upon motion being made and duly seconded, unanimously
VOTED: to adjourn at 5:00 p.m.

Dan Wellington, clerk

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