

**Bangor Water District
Board of Trustees**

**Minutes of the
Regular Monthly Meeting
August 18, 2015**

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:

Ralph Foss
Rick Fournier
John Lawler
Gerry Palmer
Dan Wellington

being a quorum of Trustees. Absent: Trustees Hamilton and Sypitkowski. Also in attendance: General Manager Moriarty, District Engineer Pershken, Finance Manager Bailey, and Office Manager Marchegiani. In the absence of the chair, Vice-chair Fournier conducted the meeting. The clerk kept the minutes.

Minutes: The minutes of the regular July meeting were accepted as presented.

Treasurer's Report: Bailey reported that expenses for the month were up slightly, due to less allocation of labor to capital projects but were down one percent compared to budget for the year to date. She also noted that excess funds which had been held by MainePERS had been returned to Bangor Water at the end of June and had been transferred to First Advisors for investing per Board direction. The Treasurer's Report was accepted as presented.

Progress Report: as presented.

I. **Public Comment**: None.

II. **Old Business**:

Engineer's Report: Pershken updated the Board on

- Cleaning the exterior of the BIA standpipe which is scheduled to be replaced within three years. The cleaning and inspection to remove stains and mildew was budgeted at \$17,800 and completed in early August.
- Replacement of two 28-year-old pumps at Perry Road pump station after one pump began vibrating; two new pumps will provide improved energy efficiency and performance.
- Capital improvement plan draft delivered by consulting engineers and being reviewed by staff. The document will serve as guide for short- and long-term planning, and the final version will be shared with the Board later in the year.

III. **New Business**

Operator licensing: Moriarty briefly updated the Board on the licensing requirements and process for applicable employees, and noted the three employees have recently made progress.

First and Davis Street project: Moriarty explained that Bangor Water is partnering with the City of Bangor for infrastructure work on First Street during sewer replacement. The work will replace four- and six-inch pipe installed in the early 1900's with new eight-inch pipe, with the construction portion budgeted at \$418,700. She said the dates on which the City will issue and then open bids are unclear, and to avoid potential delay, she asked for authorization to award the District's portion of the bid as long as it did not exceed the budgeted allotment. After discussion, it was upon motion being made and duly seconded, unanimously

VOTED: to authorize the General Manager to award the bid for work on the First and Davis Street project, with a not-to-exceed cap of \$418,700.

Portable water station: Moriarty offered photos of a portable drinking fountain that Portland Water makes available for community events, and asked for Board input on purchasing a similar unit (total cost less than \$1500) to offer in Bangor. She reviewed the process used by Portland to loan the fountain, and discussed possible local uses such as school or sporting events. The Board's general consensus was to acquire the unit – if possible with an adapter for filling water bottles – with further discussion to come on how to handle availability.

Wooden pipe: Moriarty said the old pipe uncovered during the Union Street project had generated public attention, with several suggestions that the pipe be preserved and placed on display. She asked Board members to contact her with ideas where the pipe might be donated.

Board appointment: Moriarty reviewed the expiring terms of Board members, and the City Council appointment process.

Board package correspondence: as distributed.

Other business: None

Hearing no further business to come before the meeting, it was upon motion being made and duly seconded, unanimously

VOTED: to adjourn at 4:45 p.m.

Dan Wellington, clerk

Ralph Foss

Richard Fournier

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