

**Bangor Water District
Board of Trustees**

**Minutes of a Special Meeting
April 2, 2020**

A special meeting of the Bangor Water District Board of Trustees was held at 9:00 a.m. Due to COVID 19 restrictions, Trustees and staff participated remotely with attendance and votes taken by roll call. Present were:

Ralph Foss
John Hwalek
Gerry Palmer
Robert Sypitkowski
Michael Timpson
Dan Wellington

being more than a quorum of Trustees. Not attending: Trustee Hamilton. Also participating: General Manager Moriarty and Finance Manager Bailey. Remote participation for the public was provided, but no one joined the meeting.

The clerk kept the minutes.

The single item on the agenda was reconsideration of the proposed 2020 water rate case. Moriarty reminded the Board that a seven percent across-the-board increase had been approved by the Board at its regular March meeting, with an effective date of July 1. Filing of paperwork with the Maine Public Utilities Commission and notification to the public was scheduled for early April. She noted that the minimum use customer would see an increase of three cents per day under the proposed rates.

Bailey offered estimated financial impacts of delaying the rate filing until October 2020. Moriarty said the 2020 budget would need to be revisited with potential impact on planned projects.

The Board discussed various options for delaying the rate increase, and the possibility that delay would cause a larger increase later on. However, staff and Trustees generally concurred that a rate case in the middle of unprecedented uncertain times would be stressful for Bangor Water customers. It was therefore, upon motion being made by Trustee Wellington and seconded by Trustee Hwalek, unanimously

VOTED: to defer the 2020 rate case filing until a later date but each month to review loss of revenue and to reevaluate the necessity of filing.

Hearing no further business to come before the annual meeting, it was upon motion being made and duly seconded,
VOTED: to adjourn at 9:14 a.m.

Dan Wellington, clerk

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