

# SOUTH DEERFIELD WATER SUPPLY DISTRICT

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## **BOARD OF WATER COMMISSIONERS - ANNUAL REPORT** ANNUAL DISTRICT MEETING – JUNE 02, 2021

Once again, the South Deerfield Water Supply District has seen another highly active and productive year with many accomplishments in the process of providing our community with a safe and reliable supply of drinking water.

This past year we have seen no staffing changes at the South Deerfield Water Supply District, with the installation in January 2020 of Dan Dion as our Superintendent. Our team was able to navigate through the challenges COVID-19 brought before us and the Board of Water Commissioners would like to extend our utmost appreciation to our staff for their dedication and hard work throughout this past year.

In FY2021 the South Deerfield Water Supply District saw many accomplishments – including the purchase of several new pieces of equipment. The addition of this new equipment included a min-excavator, skid steer and dump truck have already provided us thousands of dollars in savings on projects and emergency repairs and allowed for flexibility and speed in projects. The Board of Water Commissioners along with our Superintendent and Treasurer took fiscally responsible and conservative approaches to the purchase of this equipment giving it great consideration and purchasing used equipment when it made sense, passing the savings on to our taxpayers. This past fiscal year we completed the design-phase and began the construction-phase of a required major chemical feed upgrade to our Filtration Plant and should be completing that work this fiscal year. This past year we were able to complete the planning process for another major water main replacement projects that is in the works, we have completed another phase of the upgrades to our Ridge Road Water Tank, took delivery of a new District Pickup Truck, we have applied for and received another MIIA grant and are currently working with our Forrester on a Timber Management Plan which we are expected to receive grant funding to cover the entire cost. This year we also renewed our Emergency Mutual Aid Agreement with the Town of Amherst and the Amherst Department of Public Works to allow for emergency backup staffing and response if needed by either community.



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Respectfully Submitted,

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