

WORTHINGTON FIRE DISTRICT

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A Regular Meeting of the Worthington Fire District Committee was called to order at 5:00 PM on Wednesday, November 17, 2021, at 1400 Berlin Turnpike, Berlin, CT.

PRESENT:

Arthur B. Powers, Chairman
Stanley Pajor IV, Committee Member
Joseph Pagliaruli, Superintendent
Lynn Ferrelli, Collector
Timothy Sullivan, Legal Counsel
Stanley Smolski, WFD Staff

ABSENT:

Thomas Niedzwiecki, Treasurer
Peter Fliss, Committee Member

Arthur B. Powers, Chairman, opened the meeting at 5:00 PM.

AUDIENCE OF CITIZENS:

There was no one in attendance.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

The October 20, 2021 Regular Meeting Minutes were not approved. Chairmen, Arthur B. Powers was not in attendance for the October meeting and Committee Member, Peter Fliss was not in attendance for the November meeting and therefore the Minutes could not be approved. The October 20, 2021 meeting minutes will be approved at the December 2021 meeting.

SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT:

Joe Pagliaruli reported on the following:

CONSTRUCTION:

- There is no construction to report on.

NEW NEWS:

- The District property on Farmington Avenue, leading to Seymour Road, is still being assessed for clearing. I have been in contact with all parties involved. This is not complete.

- The data from the sewer meters has been gathered and we are planning and implementing several plans of addressing the findings of the report. This is ongoing. People working from home is slowing the process.
- The main meters serving the District were tested this week.
- Meter replacements program has started in the Middletown Road area.

CROSS CONNECTIONS:

- Inspections are ongoing.

ENGINEERING (Mike & Jason):

- The men and I are working on the GIS, adding new information provided by Stan Smolski. Also, we are using the GIS to assist with the sewer report.
- I am looking into replacing the plotter. We should have it replaced this month.

Superintendent Pagliaruli also stated the Mike Walker has met with NEPCCO to discuss relining to reduce I/I.

A Motion was made by Stanley Pajor IV and Seconded by Arthur B. Powers to accept the Superintendent's Report. MOTION PASSED 2-0.

TREASURER'S REPORT:

The Treasurer was not in attendance and therefore there was no report given.

TAX COLLECTOR'S REPORT:

The Collector's Report was distributed to all attendees. The report, as prepared by Tax Collector Lynn Ferrelli, is attached to these minutes as submitted.

A Motion was made by Stanley Pajor IV and Seconded by Arthur B. Powers to accept the Collector's Report. MOTION PASSED 2-0.

LEGAL COUNSEL:

Attorney Sullivan would like a letter put together to the Town Manager stating that WFD would like a proportionate share of the money that the Town is getting from the State. Reason being that should Water Control get a portion of that money for infrastructure improvements, then the two other Districts should be receiving money as well. Stan Smolski suggested the money should be based on the customer basis of each Water District and questioned what the money should be used for, is it for Covid-19 related expenses; it is limited to certain projects? These questions will be posed in the letter which will be written by Committee Member, Stanley Pajor IV.

OLD BUSINESS:

There was no Old Business to discuss.

NEW BUSINESS:

Stan Smolski will be having a meeting on November 18, 2021 with Water Control to follow up on the questions left for Ray Jarema at last month's meeting. Thomas Niedzwiecki was to be in attendance but cannot be present at the meeting.

The Meeting Adjourned at 6:07 PM.

Respectfully Submitted,

L. Ferrelli

Lynn J. Ferrelli, Tax Collector