

Orono-Veazie Water District Board of Trustees

Jan 9, 2018 at 7 P.M.

Orono Council Chambers

1. Consideration of the Agenda – Opened at 7:15pm, Trustees – Perkins, Dastoor, Blease and Bolton present.
2. Election of the Chair (2018) – Trustee Perkins nominated Trustee Blease, Trustee Dastoor Seconded – All in favor – Trustee Blease will start as chair in Feb. 2018.
3. Approval of Meeting Minutes
 - Nov. 14, 2017
 - Dec, 5, 2017 – Trustee Dastoor motioned to accepted as amended, Seconded by Trustee Bolton. All in favor
4. Public Comments and Questions – No public present
5. Review of Financials –
Nov. 2017 – Stiles – Ordering meters
Dec. 2017 – MFGL LLC. - Mill where the district sends their wastes from the settling tank. 461.4 – Public authority customers – municipal customers.
 - Vendor Balance
 - Profit & Loss
 - Transactions
 - Balance Sheet
 - Water Accounting table discussion
6. Auditor Engagements Letter – Trustees will read through this email Joan to vote whether to continue.
 - Year 3 of 3-year contract
 - Fraud Questionnaire – completed by the board. – Signed by Board of Trustees
- ~~7. Conflict of Interest Policy Discussion – Tabled~~
 - Samples from other utilities/municipalities
8. Banking Proposal(s) follow up
 - Asset protection strategies
 - Working with Peoples and Katahdin banks. Getting paperwork in order and moving forward.
9. Preliminary Budget presentation
 - Superintendent Smith would like to request a 3% increase for employees
 - o Trustees would like to look at comparison salary comparison from other districts-
 - May new to discuss a rate increase every 3-5 years.

- Trustees would like to see line item in the budget for funds to go in the trust.
- Increase in contractual services
 - o Superintendent Smith will look into cost savings in contractual services.

10. Superintendent's Report

- Water quality
 - ◆ Trying to extent backwashing
 - ◆ Well #3 redevelopment – Dennis Maher's – delayed due to no CO₂ delivery/availability. But now can deliver and redevelop well on Jan 11. Should know by Jan. 18 the success of the development.
 - ◆ Treatment plant filters -
- Infrastructure Updates -
- Chemo Pond dam ownership update – Keith Kanoti – may need to perform a survey. May not be on UMaine land.
- Hydrogeologists – water sourcing – Ron Hidu visited the district. Still working for Cary Parson hydrogeologists.
- DOT roundabout - \$67,315 cost to district.

8. Public Comments and Questions – None present

9. Trustee Comments / Requests for information – look at amount of money spent to look at competitive bids. Later meeting.

10. Future Meetings

- *Schedule February 2018*
- *Tuesdays: 1st is Feb 6, 2nd is Feb 13*

11. Adjourn – Trustee Bolton motioned to adjourn. Trustee Dastoor seconded. All in favor.
9:37pm.