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BOARD OF COMMISSIONER'S MEETING
20 Bridge Street, 10:00 a.m.

July 05, 2024

The Lanesborough Village Fire and Water District held its regular meeting at 20 Bridge Street, Lanesborough, Massachusetts on Friday, July 05, 2024.

Roll call: Present: William Prendergast, Chair; Mary Reilly, Board Member; Aaron Williams, Board Member; Mark Siegars, District Counsel; Kevin Swail, Superintendent; Katie Lemanski, Treasurer; Cindy Roughley, Clerk

Also in attendance: Andrew Morosky from Tighe and Bond

William Prendergast opened the meeting at 9:10 a.m.

1. The warrant and payroll warrant for June were reviewed and signed.
2. The minutes from the regular meeting of June 07, 2024 were reviewed. Mary Reilly made a motion to accept the minutes. Aaron Williams seconded the motions. All in favor, motion carried.
3. Andrew from Tighe and Bond presented an update on the lead service survey. So far 51.6% of homes/businesses have been completed with no lead services found. The DEP is allowing for additional grant funds for home inspections. Aaron Williams made a motion to approve amendments to the original DEP grant application to cover 100% of the costs of the lead service line contract with Tighe and Bond for basement inspections and additional inspections based on the estimate from Tighe and Bond. Mary Reilly seconded the motion. All in favor, motion carried. Andrew Morosky gave credit to Kevin Swail for all the work that he has done with the project so far. Tighe and Bond to put something together to send out a mailing to those who haven't responded yet. Mary Reilly volunteered to go to the post office for outreach activities. Tighe and Bond to produce materials for that purpose. Part of the grant includes a replacement plan. DEP has created a form for that plan and Tighe and Bond will complete it. The Commissioners to review the form and send any questions to Tighe and Bond. The deadline for the initial inventory and plan for replacement is October 16, 2024. Andrew Morosky requested an hour at the August 02, 2024 meeting at 10 a.m. to go over the form and any updates.
4. There were no public comments.
5. There were no disputes.
6. There were no abatements. The owner of 3 Grove Street questioned the current billed rate of 2 EDU's, this is correct.
7. Website update, Cindy Roughley will now be updating the website.

8. Treasurer and Collector's report: Katie Lemanski reported that the amounts outstanding as of June were \$ 29,941. Shut off notices went out and payments are coming in. A representative from Bartholomew bank will be at the next meeting to discuss investing. This will be added to the agenda for 11 a.m on August 2nd.
9. Legal issues/mall billing: Mark Siegars to verify numbers with the City of Pittsfield for water bills received for the mall property. Aaron Williams made a motion to initiate a lien on the mall property, lot 15. Mary Reilly seconded the motion. All in favor, motion carried. Aaron Williams made a motion to send a shut off notice to the property owner of the mall property, lot 15, at 655 Cheshire Road. Mary Reilly recused herself from voting on the motion. William Prendergast seconded the motion. Two of three in favor, motion carried.
10. Mark Siegars gave an update on the MA Rural Water Association Recovery for PFAS class action lawsuit. The deadline for a portion of the litigation is Monday, July 7, 2024. Mark has submitted the information six times and will contact them again.
11. Superintendent's report: Kevin Swail reported that meter replacements are almost done for the commercial buildings. All cross-connections have been checked as required by the State. The water main replacements for G Street, Ocean Street, Maple Court and Iroquois Street have been completed. Two hydrants were moved due to a new bike lane on Route 7.
12. Aaron Williams discussed standardizing ductile iron versus PVC pipe. He suggested that the Commissioners be notified of future pipe replacement projects prior to start.
13. William Prendergast adjourned the meeting at 1:27 p.m.