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

May 03, 2024

The Lanesborough Village Fire and Water District held its regular meeting at 20 Bridge Street, Lanesborough, Massachusetts on Friday, May 03, 2024. William Prendergast called the meeting to order at 10:00 a.m. The agenda was properly posted.

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

1. The warrant and payroll warrant for April were reviewed and signed.
2. The minutes from the meeting of April 05, 2024 were reviewed. Aaron Williams made a motion to accept the minutes. Mary Reilly seconded the motion. All in favor, motion carried.
3. The representative from Westfield Water Department was not present.
4. Discussion of use of only ductile iron pipe as the standard material going forward. Kevin Swail to ask Tighe and Bond to provide an estimate for using ductile iron versus PVC for the Ocean and G street project for comparison. Mark Siegars to check the Massachusetts state law to confirm if PVC can be excluded from the standards material list.
5. Annual Budget was reviewed. Mary Reilly made a motion to eliminate the line item for bonus compensation of \$ 10,000. Aaron Williams seconded the motion. All in favor, motion carried. Mary Reilly made a motion to rescind the motion to remove the line item for bonus compensation. Need to find out further information regarding that item from Linda Pruyne. Other items: reduce normal infrastructure maintenance and repairs to \$ 50,000, increase infrastructure pre-purchase to \$12,000 and the equipment investment capital line to \$ 200,000.
A special meeting to discuss the annual budget in more detail and to create the annual warrant will be held on Friday, May 24th. The date of the annual meeting date was discussed. William Prendergast to send an email with his availability. William Prendergast to send the Commissioner's report out for review by June 7th, 2024.
Chair William Prendergast relinquished the remainder of the meeting to Mary Reilly.
6. There were no public comments.
7. There were no disputes.
8. There were no abatements.
9. There were no website updates.
10. Mark Siegars reported that there was a recent settlement of \$ 750 million. There were no other changes.

11. Superintendent's report: Kevin Swail reported there are 5 meters left to replace. Still waiting for the Iroquois Street project to start. The Ocean and G street project to start next week. Flyers have gone out to the neighborhood and the community was notified. Kevin Swail to speak to Linda Pruyne regarding her request for building benches and painting of tables for a new Senior Town park. Any budget or donation would have to be decided as a warrant article at the annual meeting.
12. Mark Siegars reported that May 15, 2024 is the due date for taxes from the Mall. Litigation to start after that date.
13. Aaron Williams made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Mary Reilly seconded. All in favor, motion carried. Meeting adjourned at 1:05 p.m.