

MOUNTAIN LAKES DISTRICT COMMISSIONERS MEETING

At the District Office with Zoom Access

May 10, 2022

UNAPPROVED

Call to Order: Bob Long called the meeting to order at 6:02 pm.

Roll Call:

- **Board Members:** Bob Long and Mark Johanson present; Mike Roberts was absent and excused.
- **Public Present In-Person:** Robert Roudebush, Brian Loutrel and Patricia Brady
- **Public Present via Zoom:** None

Approval of Minutes:

- **April 12 Regular Meeting:** Mark Johanson moved to approve; Bob Long seconded and motion passed.

District Business:

- **Manifests:** Mark Johanson moved to approve manifests from Apr. 13 to May 10, 2022. Bob Long seconded and motion passed.
- **Financials & Water Bill Report:** The Commissioners reviewed the financial reports and the water bill collection report showing \$135,196.23 in water payments received since April 1, 2022.
- **Board & Committee Appointments:** The Commissioners discussed an application received at the annual meeting for Tom Mangels who wished to serve on the Budget Committee. Bob Long moved to appoint him to the Budget Committee for a term of three years, Mark Johanson seconded and the motion passed. Patricia Brady said she contacted Tom Eighmy about his application to serve on the Water Committee and asked if he could be made an associate member. Bob Long said they did not have associate members on the Committee so Patricia Brady recommended Tom Eighmy be appointed as a regular member of the Committee. Bob Long moved to appoint Tom Eighmy to the Water Committee for a term of three years; Mark Johanson seconded and the motion passed. Bob Long said he investigated whether Facility & Water Manager John Mitchell could be on the Water Committee since he is not an MLD property owner and found that he could be on the Committee. The Commissioners agreed it made sense to have John Mitchell as a voting member of the Water Committee and agreed to add him to the Committee with a three-year appointment.

Maintenance Update: Bob Long shared the following projects John Mitchell is currently working on:

- **Dumpster:** The bottom of the old dumpster was rotted out making it accessible to raccoons and other animals. It was removed from the Lodge area and John Mitchell shopped around to find the best price on a new one would be \$1,860 with a \$45 charge every time it needed to be emptied. If MLD did not buy our own dumpster, the charge would be \$100 each time it was emptied. The Commissioners agreed MLD should purchase our own dumpster to be able to shop around for trash service if needed and also agreed to try placing the dumpster within the pump house fence to prevent household trash being paced in it.
- **Beach Bugs:** Mark Johanson reported on a meeting with a local pest expert Clinton Brown of Mosquito Joe's. He said new state regulations have made previous treatment methods illegal and forbid ANY treatment within 25 feet of the water's edge. Clinton Brown will provide two quotes- one on treatment above the 25-foot mark and one for an alternative "thermacell treatment".
- **Asset Management:** Project underway with visible progress made; need to finish Lodge work to house water inventory.
- **Route 112/French Pond Road MLD Sign:** The new owner of the land the MLD sign is sitting on wants beach rights to allow the sign to remain. The Commissioners discussed the possibility of placing four signs, one at each entrance to MLD, instead of keeping the one big sign. They agreed to table the issue until Mike Roberts could be present for discussion and vote.
- **Pool Opening:** Country Pools & Spa in Littleton will handle opening and closing this year and train John Mitchell in pool maintenance at the same time.
- **Painting:** Priority project is to power wash and paint the office building; looking for outside contractor to handle project.
- **Beach Tilling:** Scheduling times for tilling before Opening Day and to coordinate with any beach treatment.

- Spectrum Upgrade at Pump House & Lodge: In process
- **SCADA Service Drops:** New software updates done and SCADA has been 100% stable since.
- **Chambers Access Hatch:** In process
- **Tennis Courts & Swing Set:** Tennis Courts have been cleaned up and 100% ready for the season, new keys made. Swing set needs additional legs to go from residential to commercial in order to setup.
- **Cable Upgrade – Office:** The cables are in and ready; working with Profile Technologies on an install date.
- **Locate Line on Swiftwater Circle:** Working with Scott Clang of Granite State Rural Water to locate water line and blowoffs in the area.
- **French Pond Road Valve Replacement:** Working to coordinate with excavation contractor for replacement of damaged shut off valve.
- **Mapping Water Connections:** In process
- **White Board at Mailbox:** Built frame to securely house the white board used for event signage with an anchor system for easy removal and placement
- **Dock Ladder:** Working with Fairlee Marine to resolve ladder issue.
- **Grill & Planters at the Lodge:** Bottom of grill was almost rusted through and it was removed. Old planters have been removed and work on 6 x 6 planting area under the deck is in process.
- **Geese:** Activity has been at a minimum due to use of the “Goose Gun” to discourage geese presence.

Water Committee Update: Mark Johanson reported that work on Drinking Water State Revolving Fund (DWSRF) pre-applications started this week and the Committee will be submitting pre-apps for nine water projects. They are holding a special meeting on May 17 to put numbers together and begin submitting pre-apps online.

Planning Board Update: No report.

Recreation Committee Update: Mark Johanson reported the next event is the May 14 Fun Run/Walk with Haverhill Parks & Rec.

Action Items Review:

Mark Johanson: contacted Vertex Towers, gave them Skiway as a possible location for a cell tower and Vertex will send a proposal for consideration.

Bob Long: Checked with NHMA-John Mitchell can be appointed to the Water Committee as a nonresident but working for MLD; Lodge stairs-talked with John Mitchell about replacing the stairs as they are uneven, stairs are structurally sound and on the list for future projects; contact Deborah Loiselle of the Watershed Management Bureau to see if there is any available funding for the causeway project-NHDES Dam Engineer Jim Weber said because this is a Low Hazard Dam, it would most likely not qualify for funding; SCADA discrepancies with numbers-resolution still in process; still working on Valley Road cleared lot; working on town requirements to remove signs.

Old Business:

- Foldeak Property Discussion - Tabled

New Business: UNKNOWN

The meeting adjourned at approximately 6:43 pm.

PLEASE NOTE: Technical issues prevented proper recording of the meeting; Kristi Garofalo was not present and notes were not taken. The above minutes are based on limited audible recordings and verbal interviews with attendees. According to that information, no decisions were made that were not noted above.

Respectfully submitted,
Kristi Garofalo