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Pursuant to Governor Baker's March 12, 2020 Order Suspending Certain Provisions of the Open Meeting Law, and the Governor's March 15, 2020 Order imposing strict limitations on the number of people that may gather in one place, no in-person attendance of members of the public will be permitted at this meeting. Board members will be participating remotely. For public hearings, access via Zoom is provided for the required opportunity for public participation.

In attendance via Zoom: Michael Callahan, Chairperson
Leo O'Rourke, Commissioner

Also in attendance via Zoom: David D'Amico, DPW Director, Barry Smith Water & Sewer Superintendent, Susan Segarra, Fin Com Liaison, and Jill Karakeian Program Administrator and Recording Secretary

Chairman Callahan called the Water & Sewer Commissioners meeting to order at 6:11 P.M.

Commissioner O'Rourke made a motion to approve the minutes from the 05/12/20 meeting. Commissioner Callahan seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously. A roll call vote was taken due to the nature of the remote Zoom meeting.

Abatement Requests

4 Howe Street

This is a water only account. The office tried to call the phone # on file and was unable to leave a message due to the voicemail being full. They were notified on 7/23/2019 that they had a probable leak by a mailed notice and postcard/door hanger dropped off by the Water Division. There was another notice mailed on 7/24/2019 and another attempt to call the # on file and was unable to leave a message due to the voicemail still being full. On 8/9/2019 the office was able to leave a voicemail requesting that they give the office a call. Assistant Water & Sewer Superintendent, Jeff Roche stopped by the property to leave a postcard and spoke to the mother of Mrs. Carr and informed her of the problem and she said she would let her daughter know. On 8/12/2019 a Certified Irrigation Water Ban Letter was mailed. The overage was due to a defective flapper on a toilet that very seldom gets used. The repair was made with a new flush kit installed. The office explained that there is a timeframe for the abatement, which Mr. Carr stated he was unaware of. He is hoping for a little leniency during these times of uncertainty and financial hardships. Based on their average consumption of the same like August bill cycle it appears that the leak represents 6,683cf. The breakdown is as follows: 6,683cf @ \$14.11(tier 3)=\$942.97 that could potentially be abated.

Commissioners tabled the abatement requesting additional information from Mr. & Mrs. Carr as to why the lack of response after a number of attempts from the DPW

50 Winthrop Street – Medway Community Farm.

The Medway Community Farm is a town sponsored non-profit organization. Please abate all outstanding balances through 3/30/20 billing.

Commissioner O'Rourke made a motion to accept current outstanding balance Abatement Request. Commissioner Callahan seconded the motion. The motion carries unanimously. A roll call vote was taken due to the nature of the remote Zoom meeting.

FY21 Water and Sewer Rates Discussion

Commissioner O'Rourke made a motion to accept the Water Rates for FY21 in spreadsheet provided by Dave D'Amico, Commissioner Callahan seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously. A roll call vote was taken due to the nature of the remote Zoom meeting.

Commissioner Callahan made a motion to accept the Sewer Rates for FY21 will remain the same as FY20, Commissioner O'Rourke seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously. A roll call vote was taken due to the nature of the remote Zoom meeting.

Water Treatment Plant Discussion & Satellite Well at Populatic Discussion:

Superintendent Smith stated that Environmental Partners are the process of doing the 5 test bores and he is waiting on results on water testing results.

Directors Report:

Superintendent Smith gave a status update on I & I. Superintendent Smith stated he met with GHD and should have the information to move forward around 7/1/20 so we can get the package out to Bid for the repairs.

The next meeting has been scheduled for Tuesday, July 14, 2020 at 6:00pm.

Commissioner O'Rourke made a motion to adjourn at 7:20pm. Commissioner Callahan seconded the motion. The motion carries unanimously. A roll call vote was taken due to the nature of the remote Zoom meeting.