

**RYE WATER DISTRICT
MEETING AGENDA
Wednesday, April 17, 2024 – 8:30 a.m.
Water District Office – 60 Sagamore Rd.
& via Zoom**

Commissioners Present:

**Scott Marion, Chair
Rosalie Lopresto, Vice-Chair
Tom Mack**

Others Present:

**Arik Jones, Superintendent
Dyana Ledger, Business Manager**

I. Call to Order

Chair Marion called the meeting to order at 8:32 a.m.

II. Non-Public Session per RSA 91-A:3 (I) Legal

At 8:32 a.m., moved to go into non-public session per RSA 91-A:3 (I) Legal. Seconded by Rosalie Lopresto.

Roll Call: Rosalie Lopresto – Aye; Tom Mack – Aye; Scott Marion – Aye

The Commission came out of non-public session at 9:17 a.m.

III. MRI – Steve Parkinson

Steve Parkinson, Municipal Resources Inc., met with the Commissioners to answer any questions with regard to his final report addressing the need for an administrator position in the Water District to help run overall district operations. The report recommended an administrator for approximately twenty hours of service to the District, at this time; however, the position could grow into a fulltime position in the future.

The Commissioners agreed with the report's findings. They asked Business Manager Ledger to prepare a posting for the position based on the qualification and job description listed in the report. They also asked her to reach out to Alan Gould from MRI to meet with them to discuss next steps.

IV. Discussion with FW Webb

Scott Fitzgerald, and Chris Dedarian, FW Webb, met with the Commission to discuss the changes being made with the Kamstrup meters with regard to distribution and availability through FW Webb. The company will no longer be representing Kamstrup, as of May 1, 2024; however, they are able to fulfill orders for the District up until that time. The Commissioners took this information under advisement.

V. Business:

a. Art Ditto

Former RWD Commissioner Art Ditto spoke to the Commission about his thoughts regarding the funding of the water treatment facility and the consideration of an overall surcharge based off water usage to cover the repayment of the loans.

b. Chris Berg, Wright-Pierce – Updates on Brown Property and other projects

Chris Berg, Wright-Pierce, gave a quick update on the Brown Farm Lane water investigation project. Other updates included the Lead Service Line Inventory Grant project and the Asset Management Grant project.

After discussion, the Commissioners asked Mr. Berg to reach out to Raftelis with regard to finalizing the rate study and ask them to come to the May meeting.

c. Authorization to Borrow – CTP Funding

Motion by Rosalie Lopresto to authorize Chair Scott Marion to sign the Authorization to Borrow for the Drinking Water State Revolving Fund, Drinking Water & Groundwater Trust Fund, and PFAS Remediation Loan Fund, and all other necessary paperwork for the Rye Water District Central Treatment Plant funding.

Seconded by Tom Mack.

All in favor.

d. Certificate of Vote of Authorization – LSLI Grant

Motion by Rosalie Lopresto to authorize Chair Scott Marion to sign the Lead Service Line Inventory (LSLI) Drinking Water Sustainability Grant extension agreement and all other necessary paperwork.

Seconded by Tom Mack.

All in favor.

e. Rockport Technology Proposal

Motion by Rosalie Lopresto to enter into a contract with Rockport Technology Group for overall technology and cybersecurity services for the District and to authorize Chair Scott Marion to sign. Seconded by Tom Mack.

All in favor.

VI. Other Business

None

Adjournment

Motion by Rosalie Lopresto to adjourn at 11:03 a.m. Seconded by Tom Mack. All in favor.

Respectfully Submitted,
Dyana F Ledger