

RYE WATER DISTRICT MEETING

Wednesday, January 15, 2020, 9:00 a.m.

60 Sagamore Road

Attendance:

Art Ditto, Commission Chair
Ralph Hickson, Commissioner
Tom Clifford, Commissioner

Others Present:

Arik Jones, Superintendent
Darren Prince, Asst. Superintendent
Dyana Ledger, Business Manager

I. Call to Order

Chair Ditto called the meeting to order at 9:00 a.m.

II. Budget Workshop

The Commissioners reviewed and discussed the proposed 2020 budget for the District, along with the Superintendent, Asst. Superintendent and Business Manager. A few changes were made to the proposed budget. They also reviewed the proposed warrant articles for 2020. It was agreed to not put forward warrant articles for the Expendable Trust Fund for unanticipated expenses; the Equipment and Buildings Capital Reserve Fund; nor the Distribution Replacement and Improvement Capital Reserve Fund. It was agreed to forward the warrant article to add \$30,000 to the Storage Tank Maintenance Fund.

Balances at the end of 2019 in each of the District's Capital Reserves and Trusts are as follows:

- **Distribution Replacement and Improvement Capital Reserve Fund - \$136,233.08**
- **Equipment and Buildings Capital Reserve Fund – \$63,449.35**
- **Storage Tank Maintenance Expendable Trust Fund - \$91,896.73**
- **Rye Water District Expendable Trust Fund - \$146,792.29**

III. Vote on 2020 Warrant Articles

Article #03:

To see if the District will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$800,000 (gross budget) for the rehab of the Garland Road Pump Station and all costs incidental thereto and connected therewith; and to authorize the issuance of not more than Eight Hundred Thousand Dollars (\$800,000) of bonds and noted in compliance with the Municipal Fund Act (RSA Chapter 33); and to authorize the Rye Water District Commissioners to issue and negotiate such bonds and notes and to determine the rate of interest thereon; and to authorize the Rye Water District Commissioners to expend the proceeds so raised to that stated purpose. A 2/3 ballot vote is required.

Motion by Tom Clifford to recommend Article #03 in the amount of \$800,000 for the rehab of Garland Road Pump Station. Seconded by Ralph Hickson. Vote: 3-0

Article #04:

To see if the District will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$315,000 (gross budget) for the Wallis Road Water Main Replacement, 1,165ft from the intersection of Wallis Road and Ocean Boulevard to the intersection of Wallis Road and Odiorne Drive, and all costs incidental thereto and connected therewith; and to authorize the issuance of not more than Three Hundred Fifteen Thousand Dollars (\$315,000) of bonds and notes in compliance with the Municipal Finance Act (RSA Chapter 33); and to authorize the Rye Water District Commissioners to issue and negotiate such bonds and notes and to determine the rate of interest thereon; and to authorize the Rye Water District Commissioners to expend the proceeds so raised to that stated purpose. A 2/3 ballot vote is required.

Motion by Ralph Hickson to recommend Article #04 in the amount of \$315,000 for the Wallis Road water main replacement. Seconded by Tom Clifford. Vote: 3-0

Article #05:

To see if the District will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Thirty Thousand Dollars (\$30,000) to be placed in the District's existing Storage Tank Maintenance Expendable Trust Fund established for the purpose of maintaining the water storage tanks. This appropriation is in addition to the operating budget. (Majority vote required.)

Motion by Ralph Hickson to recommend Article #05 in the amount of \$30,000 for the Storage Tank Expendable Trust Fund. Seconded by Tom Clifford. Vote: 3-0

Article #06:

To see if the District will vote to raised and appropriate the sum of One Million Four Hundred Ninety-Eight Ninety-One Dollars (\$1,498,091) for general District operations and to defray Water District charges for the ensuing year. This article does not include appropriations contained in any other article addressed. (Majority vote required.)

Motion by Ralph Hickson to recommend Article #06 for the District's Operating Budget for 2020. Seconded by Tom Clifford. Vote: 3-0

IV. Other Business

- **Seacoast Drinking Water Commission, RWD Appointment**

Chair Art Ditto agreed to continue on as the District's representative for the Seacoast Drinking Water Commission.

Adjournment

Motion by Tom Clifford to adjourn at 10:40 a.m. Seconded by Ralph Hickson. All in favor.

Respectfully Submitted, Dyana Ledger