

**RYE WATER DISTRICT  
MEETING  
Wednesday, June 5, 2024 – 8:30 a.m.  
Water District Office – 60 Sagamore Rd.**

**Commissioners Present:**

**Scott Marion, Chair  
Rosalie Lopresto**

**Others Present:**

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

**I. Call to Order**

Chair Marion called the meeting to order at 9:03 p.m.

**II. Tom Pfau – Energy Committee: Discussion CTP**

**Tom Pfau, Energy Committee Representative**, met with the Commissioners to let them know that the Energy Committee is available to help with planning for the energy needs of the central treatment plant. There was a brief discussion about the possibility of solar being considered for the treatment facility. The Commissioners agreed that they will keep communications open with the Energy Committee and look forward to working with them on the project.

**III. Approval of Minutes - May 1<sup>st</sup>**

**Motion by Rosalie Lopresto approve the minutes of May 1, 2024 as presented. Seconded by Scott Marion. All in favor.**

**IV. Rob Rochette, USG**

**Rob Rochette, USG Water Solutions**, presented and reviewed the updated tank maintenance contract for the Washington Road water tank. The contract was revised to reflect the agreement starting for the 2025 budget. The Commissioners did not see any issues with the pricing and the contract. It was noted by Business Manager Dyana Ledger that Attorney Roman is reviewing the contract and will be getting it back to the Commission with suggested edits or revisions.

**V. Superintendent’s Report for May**

Superintendent Jones reviewed the pumping data and his report for the month of May.

- The pumping chart shows that the District is down about four million gallons for the month of May from this time last year.
- Spring flushing has been completed and backflow testing is being conducted by Water Operator Jacob Madore.
- Water operators are now focusing on the installation of new meters; particularly, on the Wentworth Road (Portsmouth) side of the system.
- There are approximately 250 properties that have not yet been identified under the Lead Service Line Inventory Grant. Work is still being done to identify those properties before the grant deadline in October. After that time, the District will have approximately three years to identify the service line connections.
- Website updates have been done within the past couple of days. Superintendent Jones recommends that some work be done on updating the District's by-laws, as they have not been done in several years.

## **VI. Business**

### **a. West Road H2O Investigation**

*Tabled discussion for when Commissioner Mack is present.*

### **b. MOU Issues and Next Steps**

*Attorney Roman is still waiting to hear back from the Town and Attorney Maher. There are no further updates at this time.*

### **c. Rate Setting**

*Wright-Pierce will be contacted to follow up on the rate study being conducted by Raftelis. Commission asked for an update at the July meeting.*

### **d. Tank Maintenance Contract**

*Addressed earlier in the meeting. Attorney Roman is reviewing the contract and will get back to the Commission with any concerns.*

### **e. Policy Establishing General Rules of Procedure for Disputing Water Overage Charges**

**Motion by Rosalie Lopresto to adopt the Policy for Disputing Charges Related to Water Use Overage. Seconded by Scott Marion. Vote: 2-0**

## **VII. Other Business**

- It was agreed to start commission meetings at 8:30 a.m.

### **Adjournment**

**Motion by Rosalie Lopresto to adjourn at 10:40 a.m. Seconded by Scott Marion. All in favor.**

Respectfully Submitted, Dyana F Ledger