

**RYE WATER DISTRICT  
MEETING  
Wednesday, July 3, 2024 – 8:30 a.m.  
Water District Office – 60 Sagamore Rd.**

**Commissioners Present:**

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

**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. Approval of Minutes – June 5<sup>th</sup>**

**Motion by Rosalie Lopresto to approve the minutes of June 5, 2024 as presented. Seconded by Tom Mack. All in favor.**

**III. Chris Berg, Wright-Pierce**  
*No update. Not in attendance at meeting.*

**IV. Superintendent’s Report for June**

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

- The pumping totals show the District is at 15 million with a total of 14 million at this time last year. The amount of water pumped is not out of character for this time of year.  
There was review of the pumping totals for the past three years; specifically, the totals as compared to last year.
- Superintendent Jones has started working on updating the CIP sheets for submission to the Capital Improvements Committee.
- RWD will be replacing meters in the system throughout the next few months. Residents may receive a call from one of the water operators, Jacob Madore or Caleb Thibodeau, to set up an appointment for the replacement. Residents may call the office with any questions or concerns.

- Superintendent Jones has been communicating with Del Record and the residents of Marjorie Way about the intentions of RWD with the central treatment plant access road and pipeline.
- Water Operator Jacob Madore received a \$2,000 scholarship through NH Water Works Association, which can be used towards schooling for his next level of certification. He will be awarded the scholarship at a presentation being held at the end of July at Pat's Peak.

**Motion by Rosalie Lopresto to accept the Superintendent's report for the month of June. Seconded by Tom Mack. All in favor.**

**V. Business**

**a. West Road H2O Investigation**

Commissioner Mack spoke about conducting a source groundwater PFAS evaluation at the West Road property. The data being collected would be used to see if RWD should move forward with digging a test well. The Commission agreed that Commissioner Mack should move forward with conducting a test.

**b. Asset Management Report**

*Superintendent Jones will be working with Wright-Pierce on correcting and revising some of the information in the report. Further discussion with the Commission is tabled at this time.*

**c. Rate Study**

*Chair Marion will reach out to Raftelis to get further information for the Commission.*

**d. Water Tank Maintenance Contract**

The Commissioners reviewed the water tank maintenance contract from USG Water, which is being vetted by District Attorney Keriann Roman. They agreed with Attorney Roman's suggested revisions to the contract and would like to move forward with making the changes. Business Manager Dyana Ledger will put Attorney Roman in contact with counsel for USG Water to work on the revisions.

**e. 124 Washington Road – R. Furber request**

The Commissioners discussed the request from Richard Furber to reset the annual allotment for water usage for his property at 124 Washington Road, due to the malfunction of an onsite Point of Entry Treatment (POET) System, installed by the property owner, which caused excess water usage. After discussion, it was the consensus of the Commission to allow a one-time adjustment to reset the annual water allotment starting with the second quarter billing based upon historic usage patterns. After reviewing the most recent meter reading for 124 Washington Road, it was

agreed that the data confirms the issue causing the overage has been corrected and the second quarter is in line with historic usage.

**f. CIP Submissions**

*Superintendent Jones will be working on updating the CIP information.*

**VI. Other Business**

- **Fee Schedule** – Revised

Business Manager Ledger submitted the updated fee schedule for the Commissioners review. There were no issues or concerns with the updates.

**Motion by Scott Marion to adopt the updated fee schedule. Seconded by Rosalie Lopresto. All in favor.**

- **Front Entry Repair**

There was some discussion about the repairs needed for the front entryway at the RWD office due to wood rot. At this time, the District has only received one quote in the amount of \$6,000. The Commissioners agreed that the Superintendent should continue to seek other quotes, as it was felt that the quote was high for the work that was needed.

- **Discussion:** Truck/Loader

There was some discussion about ways to incorporate the purchase of a new mini front loader into the budget for 2025. This will be readdressed at a future meeting during budget season.

- **Signatures:** LSLI Grant – Overage Dispute Policy  
*Commissioners signed documents related to LSLI Grant and the newly adopted Overage Dispute Policy.*

**VII. Non-Public Session per RSA 91-A:3 II (c) Reputation**

*No non-public.*

**Adjournment**

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

Respectfully Submitted, Dyana F Ledger