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DALTON FIRE DISTRICT BOARD OF WATER COMMISSIONERS' MEETING

February 28, 2017

Present: Chair James Driscoll, Camillus Cachat, Michael Kubicki, Chief Cahalan,

Water Superintendent Benlien, Cheryl Cachat.

Public: Al Nadeau

James Driscoll called the meeting to order at 6:30 pm.

General Business:

- Minutes
 - Jim Driscoll made a motion to accept the minutes from January 24, 2017 & February 24, 2017 as printed, Cam Cachat seconded, approved unanimously
- Correspondence
 - Letter from Division of Fisheries & Wildlife
 - Reviewed the discussion of the January 2017 meeting with the department
 - Approved the Forest Cutting Plan and partial approval of Forest Management Plan
 - Letter has been forwarded to Ed Denham
- Preliminary 2018 Budget move to end

Fire Department:

- o 172 calls to date (compared to 158 in 2016)
- o Mr. Rooter inspected bay drains
 - Utilized camera to inspect minimally
 - Due to cast iron corroded, found pitch to be incorrect
 - Inspected & cleaned oil/water separator

Water Department:

o Printed report from Superintendent attached to official minutes.

Treasurer's Report:

- o Bids on the final year of the fire truck BAN were received and the bid from Easthampton Bank was selected at 1.15% for 4 months, shorter term to save interest
- o Reviewed outstanding water invoices; at this time 13 are on payment plans and 6 delinquent

Preliminary FY 2018 Budget

- Water Department
 - Asked to get quotes for outsourcing lawn mowing
 - Calculate cost of dam grouting using last cost estimate +20%
 - Discussion of water main improvement & how it is funded
- Fire Department
 - Asked to put together specs for pickup truck
 - Cam Cachat asked if it could be a 4 door vehicle to facilitate personnel transport
- o Jim Driscoll is getting quotes for air conditioning

- o Jim Driscoll will get materials for painting the back of the building this summer
- o Cam Cachat asked about restroom window interior finishing work to be completed

A working budget meeting will be posted for March 15, 2017 at 4:30 pm in the Fire Station. The next regular meeting will be March 28, 2017 at 6:30pm in the Dalton Fire Station. Jim Driscoll made a motion to adjourn at 7:03, Mike Kubicki seconded, passed unanimously

Respectfully submitted,

Cheryl Cachat Treasurer/Clerk