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DISTRICT**

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DALTON FIRE DISTRICT BOARD OF WATER COMMISSIONERS' MEETING

March 25, 2025

Present: James Driscoll, Camillus Cachat, Michael Kubicki, Daniel Filiault, Melanie Roucoulet,
Water Superintendent Bob Benlien, Tom Murray, Interim Chief Chris Cachat, Charlotte Crane

Public: Rob-Dalton TV, Dr. Henry Rose, Dennis Croughwell, Cody Doyle, Steve Beagle

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

- James Driscoll made a motion to accept the minutes from the January 7, 2025 meeting, February 25, 2025 meeting, March 4, 2025 meeting, March 12, 2025 meeting and the March 18, 2025 meeting as printed, Mike Kubicki seconded, approved unanimously.

Fire/Ambulance Department:

- Charlotte Crane announced that D-5 is now officially in service.
- With the beginning of the brush fire season started, all Forestry gear was handed out to all the firefighters.
- Last night's training was the test portion to keep our fire first responders certified.
- Crane would like the Board of Commissioners to adopt the many policies and procedures that she has written up in the past few months.
 - James Driscoll made a motion that the policies and procedures written be accepted, Cam Cachat seconded, passed unanimously.
- 83 Calls since last Commissioners' meeting.
- Chris Cachat explains the call that was received to the trailer park where an oil tank drained out into the river.

Water Department:

- The 2025 annual statistical report has been completed. Bob just need to review it one more time before he submits it on Monday.
- The Water Service line at the Wahconah Country Club maintenance garage froze up. They connected it to the stock house with a garden hose. The water line has thawed and is back in service.
- Bob received a quote from Aqueous (formerly Underwater Solutions) for tank cleaning and a mixer for the Pinecrest tank.
- They have collected water samples for the UCMR5 (unregulated contaminants monitoring rule) and have sent them out to an EPA lab for testing. Lithium, PFA's & PFOA's
- Water has been turned on at the new house built at 77 High St.
- Bob has been working on the LSL Inventory project. We have enough inspections from the insides of the houses. Tighe & Bond we'll be doing more curb box vacuum excavations sometime next month. This should give us enough information for them to perform the predictive analysis.
- The water department has been working on Spring cleanup at the stations.

- Bob has called four contractors for Roofing bids. Three have responded. Still waiting on quotes.
- Bob have been working on the chlorine Analyzer bid. He is just waiting on the SCADA tech from Tighe and Bond to contact me when he gets back from his vacation.
- There was a break on a Service line at 95 High St. The curb stop valve had split. They excavated and replaced the valve.
- They cleared the trees that fell on the lower Road to Egypt Reservoir.
- Nathan scanned all our tie carts into the GIS system.

Treasurer's Report:

- All semi annual water bills have been processed and given to zip and sort for inserting and mailing, the total of water bills was just over \$451,000.00
- Annual meeting is set for May 13, 2025 at 7pm at The Stationery Factory.
- Tomorrow Melanie has a 3 hour zoom with Vadar to learn the basics of the software.
- Talked with Jeff from Scanlon, he is almost ready to start processing for Free Cash.
- I started processing all the Articles pages for the annual meeting.

James Driscoll made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 6:47pm seconded by Cam Cachat, passed unanimously.

The next meeting will be April 29, 2025 at 6:30pm

Respectfully submitted,

Melanie Roucoulet

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Treasurer/Clerk

