

DOVER WATER RESOURCES COMMITTEE MEETING MINUTES - MARCH 10, 2021

Held remotely via zoom

Present: Professor Gerald Clarke, Chairman; Carol Lisbon, Greg Kahoun, Justine Kent-Uritam, Ron Myrick, members

Guests: Stephen Kruskall, M.D.; Kay Petersen, M.D.; Robert Zockoff; Robyn Hunter; Maureen Callahan, Karl Warnick

1. Meeting called to order 8:03 am
2. Justine made a motion, seconded by Carol, to approve the meeting minutes of January 27, and February 10, 2021 as submitted. The motion was approved unanimously.
3. An insert on water conservation developed by Carol and Justine will go out in the next tax bill. The cost is being borne by the Board of Selectmen.
4. Ron will present the WRC budget request to the Warrant Committee and to the Board of Selectmen.
5. Gerald presented a discussion on the potential of a drought being declared soon as there was lack of snow cover and a low amount of precipitation throughout the winter. A suggestion was made to order additional drought signs.
6. Carol has reached out to the Library and Parks & Recreation on adding educational material on water conservation to their newsletters. Both departments were very enthusiastic about doing so. Carol will follow up with the Council on Aging.
7. Justine inquired if the contract with Colonial Water had been signed by the Board of Selectmen and if a copy could be made available for review. Robyn said she would check with Town Counsel.
8. Bob informed the committee that all public water systems must file their annual reports with the DEP in April, 2020. PWSs are also required to distribute a copy of the report to each of their customers.
9. Ron explained that there would be one more gauging round of monitoring wells for the year. The Town Administrator has spoken with Karl about doing the water readings in the future.
10. Greg suggested that educational materials on smart landscaping practices with plantings that are drought resistant should be made available to the public.
11. At 9:15 am it was moved and seconded to adjourn the meeting. The motion was approved unanimously.