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Meeting Date: 1/7/2021

Meeting Location: Remote Meeting via Zoom

Minutes Approved: __5/6/21_

Members Present: Allan Kent, Matthew O'Brien, Kevin Rudden

Water Clerk: Dan Byer

Others: Absent:

The meeting was called to order at 7:11pm via Zoom conference per the 3/12/20 state COVID-19 Open Meeting Law Amendments.

The commission reviewed the monthly invoices.

Kevin made a motion to approve the monthly White Water invoice and the quarterly Hopedale invoice and authorize Dan to sign them on their behalf, Matt seconded, and all approved.

The commission discussed the enterprise fund. Dan reviewed the current balances.

Kevin made a motion to approve the minutes of 8/6/20, 9/3/20, 10/1/20, 11/5/20, 12/3/20, Allan seconded and Kevin and Allan approved. Matt abstained.

The commission reviewed the FY22 budget and discussed the enterprise budget. The commission discussed the surplus/water main replacement fund. There is \$29k available. Dan thinks we would need to include it in the FY22 budget to be able to spend it. Kevin suggests confirming with the town accountant as to the process.

The commission discussed the annual town report. Dan will draft and send out for review. Kevin recommends we include Hopedale's refusal to amend the contract to allow new connections.

Dan updated the commission on the meter replacements. Due to COVID the project is in limbo.

The commission discussed the search for new water sources/water study committee. Kevin said after the holidays he will work on this. The commission discussed a 3 way grant that could benefit Bellingham, Hopedale, and Mendon. Allan said they have different representatives but

the same senator. That may help as there would be more people at the state level to advocate for this.

No updates on the contract with Hopedale, this items is closed.

The commission discussed the master meters. Tim had asked for an update. Dan will share our progress with Tim. The current estimate is \$25K for both. Kevin said we need to have remote read capabilities.

The commission discussed the 3 contracts, Milford, Dudley, and Cape. The current grant idea for the Cape Rd system would only affect that contract. Hopedale currently manages Rt 16.

Kevin made a motion to adjorn at 8:03pm. Allan seconded, all approved.