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Meeting Date: 2/4/2021

Meeting Location: Remote Meeting via Zoom

Minutes Approved: _5/6/2021__

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

Water Clerk: Dan Byer

Others: Absent:

The meeting was called to order at 7:01 pm via Zoom web conference per the 3/12/20 state COVID-19 Open Meeting Law Amendments.

There are no minutes to approve.

Kevin made a motion to approve the monthly invoices (monthly White Water, quarterly Dig Safe, Badger Meter service fee, postage) and authorize Dan to sign them on their behalf, Matt seconded, and all approved.

The commission discussed flushing of the hydrants and gate valve maintenance. Dan would like to see if we can manage these projects in house. He would be able to do the work for a stipend and it would cost less than outsourcing to White Water. The cost of the device to flush the hydrants is \$1k. Plus we could use the Parks truck. The commission is in favor of this idea. Dan will research further.

Allan asked about the RT 16 hydrants. Dan said Tim usually does them.

Dan updated the commission on the PFAS testing. The Library and Senior Center have come back with none detected. Parks was unable to sample because it was still turned off and the test will be rescheduled for the summer. Town Hall tested at an average of 11.55 which is over the initial limit of 10. The max is 20. Unfortunately this result over 10 means we will need quarterly or monthly monitoring at a cost of \$300 per sample. We had asked for additional funds in the budget to cover this contingency. Hopefully when the well is replaced it will correct this issue.

The commission discussed Cape Rd. Allan suggests sending out a certified letter letting them know about the restrictions in the contract regarding changes to commercial use.

Kevin updated the commission on the water study. He is trying to reach Representative Soter in Bellingham

The commission discussed the budget and reviewed the annual report.

No updates on the meter replacement project.

The 3rd quarter bills will be mailed shortly.

The meeting was adjourned at 8pm.