

**CHERRY VALLEY SEWER DISTRICT
BOARD OF SEWER COMMISSIONERS' MEETING**

VIRTUAL MEETING MINUTES

March 10, 2022

7:00 P.M.

- I. CALL TO ORDER Chairman Manseau called the meeting to order at 7:00 pm

Donald Manseau, Chairman LCAC
Robert H. Lemieux, Sr. Commissioner - absent
Michael DellaCava, Commissioner
Benjamin J. Morris, Superintendent
Jennifer Wood, Treasurer
Cheryl Balkus, Recording Secretary

- II. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

A. **February 10, 2022** - Commissioner DellaCava motioned to approve the meeting minutes of February 10, 2022. Seconded by Chairman Manseau. All in favor. Approved.

- III. FINANCE

A. **Approve Warrant of February 17, 2022-** Commissioner Dellacava motioned to approve the warrant of February 17, 2022. Seconded by Chairman Manseau. Lemieux. All in favor. Approved.

B. **Approve Warrant of February 24, 2022** - Commissioner DellaCava motioned to approve the warrant of February 24, 2022. Seconded by Chairman Manseau. All in favor. Approved.

C. **Approve Warrant of March 10, 2022** - Commissioner DellaCava motioned to approve the warrant of March 10, 2022. Seconded by Chairman Manseau. All in favor. Approved.

D. **Draft Budget** – Per the Superintendent to keep everything as level as a possible. Major changes are debt services decreased and significant decrease of the Upper Blackstone costs by maintenance of the system. Repair & costs are to increase items becoming more expensive anywhere 5-40% more. No other major increases. Operating expense decreasing 14% of the overall budget and with the restructuring of the loans & rates the budget decreasing by \$182,869.04. Chairman Manseau & Commissioner Della Cava have no problems or questions with the draft budget. The Superintendent will have the final budget to be presented at the next meeting. Per Chairman Manseau he confirmed that the Upper Blackstone agreed to item 3 of their own budget.

- IV. ADMINISTRATION – Nothing to report

- V. Communications – Nothing to report

- VI. Operations – Superintendent Report

Flows increased with changes in weather as expected

Manhole rehabs in the spring and determine what can be purchased

Sump pump inspections are slow due to access issues

A change to MGL 314 CMR – a sanitary sewer overflow required by July. This was announced in February. The Superintendent has been in contact with a rep at Tata & Howard of how we can meet the requirement. It is raising a lot of eyebrows to the industry. Where we are a collection system and need to have a plan in place. Tata & Howard to create a template for us to review

The proposed housing development in the district has no updates. They are awaiting approvals with the town. It will only be connected to our sewer district not the water district proposed on 74-78 units and will be a significant help to the district.

Chairman Manseau asked about the conversation from the last meeting of joining the water and sewer districts together. Per ben there was no consensus from the last meeting. Per Chairman Manseau we have made big strides of taking care of ourselves and putting them together does not believe it will work. Commissioner DellaCava agrees to leave as it is as two separate entities. There will be no further discussion unless someone wants to bring it up at later meetings.

VII. DATE OF NEXT MEETING

A. **Approval of Next Meeting Date** Commissioner DellaCava motioned to hold the next Virtual Sewer Meeting April 14, 2022, at 7:00 P.M. Seconded by Chairman Manseau. All in favor. Approved.

VIII. ADJOURNMENT Commissioner DellaCava motioned to adjourn the meeting. Seconded by Chairman Manseau. All in favor. Approved. Meeting adjourned at 7:13 P.M.

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