

## **PUBLIC SPEAKERS**

None

## **MINUTES OF MONDAY, NOVEMBER 20, 2023**

### **Roll Call of Members**

The monthly meeting of the Board of Directors of The Mattabassett District was held on Monday, November 20, 2023, in the Administration Building. Chairman John Dunham called the meeting to order at 6:37 p.m. A roll call was taken. Present from the Town of Cromwell were Directors Joe Corlis and Bonnie Anderson was present remotely. Present from the Town of Berlin were Directors Jim Fallon and Liam Mitchell. Present from the City of Middletown were Directors Joe Samolis, Carl Erlacher, David Bauer and Gerald Daley. Present from the City of New Britain were Directors Don Naples, Daniel Salerno, Tonilynn Collins, Mary Marrocco and Rick Healey was present remotely. Also, present was Edward T. Lynch Jr. – District Counsel, Operations Manager – Ty Wagner, District Engineer – Michelle Ryan, Maintenance Manager – Bill Adkins and Executive Director Arthur Simonian was present remotely. Cromwell Board member, Doug Sienna was absent.

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Mr. Al Waters of Cromwell voiced his concerns on two odor complaints he made in November, he requested correspondence from Art as well as notification when the District bypasses.

### **Approval of October 16, 2023, Minutes**

**MOTION:** Mr. Samolis moved to approve the minutes of the October 16, 2023, Board Meeting.

Mr. Bauer seconded the motion.

### **Discussion**

**RESOLVED:** The motion was approved with Tonilynn Collins and Bonnie Anderson abstaining.

### **Treasurer's Report**

**MOTION:** Mr. Samolis moved to approve the Treasurer's Report as presented.

Mrs. Marrocco seconded the motion.

### **Discussion**

**RESOLVED:** The motion was approved unanimously.

**Budget Statement**

MOTION: Mr. Bauer moved to approve the Budget Statement as presented.

Mrs. Marrocco seconded the motion.

Discussion

RESOLVED: The motion was approved unanimously.

**Check Register**

No Report.

**Staff Reports**

MOTION: Mr. Bauer moved to approve the Staff Reports as presented.

Mr. Samolis seconded the motion.

Discussion The Board and staff discussed public speaker Al Waters odor concerns, a formal response will be written.

RESOLVED: The motion was approved unanimously.

**Executive Director's Staff Actions**

1. Art will check with Eversource, Jack Dimauro to question the new higher electricity rates.

**Engineering Committee**

No Report.

**Finance Committee**

MOTION: Mr. Bauer moved to approve the November 9<sup>th</sup> Finance Report as presented.

Mr. Mitchell seconded the motion.

Discussion

RESOLVED: The motion was approved unanimously.

**Human Resources Committee**

No Report.

**Property Management**

No Report.

**Public Relations Committee**

MOTION: Mr. Samolis moved to approve the November 14<sup>th</sup> Public Relations Report as presented.

Mr. Bauer seconded the motion.

Discussion Public Relations minutes are approved with the amendment of “Action Design” to “Axim Design”.

RESOLVED: The motion was approved unanimously.

**Counsel Report**

No Report

**New Business**

MOTION: Mr. Mitchell moved to approve the 2024 Board Meeting dates.

Mr. Daley seconded the motion.

Discussion

RESOLVED: The motion was approved unanimously.

**Communications**

The next Board of Directors meeting will be held at 5:30 p.m., courtesy of Attorney Lynch, everyone will meet at Portofino’s in Berlin for dinner after the meeting.

PFAS Testing will be completed at the District in the next few months, Art would like to hire a consultant to write a PFAS safety statement to share with the public, further discussion will be held at the next Public Relations meeting. Art discussed the Berlin high flows letter as well as the AI Waters FOI information.

**Adjournment**

MOTION: Mr. Bauer moved to adjourn the meeting.

RESOLVED: The meeting was adjourned at 7:24 p.m.

The next meeting of the Board of Directors will be held on **Monday, December 18, 2023, at 5:30 p.m.** in the Administration Building, 245 Main Street, Cromwell, CT.