

Minutes of the Meeting of December 17, 2019

Called to Order at 5:05 pm

1. The Commissioners approved the Minutes for the Meeting of December 3rd as amended. The motion was made, duly seconded, and approved by majority roll call.
2. Board of Health (BOH) request that the Water District test the public water supply for PFAS compounds – Mr. Roy began the conversation by providing a brief statement on the discovery of PFAS compounds being detected at the Stow Firefighting academy. Mr. Roy reported that MassDEP began testing of various locations (soil and water) within the area this past September. He stated that soil sample results indicated the presence of PSAB at concentrations above the State's health advisory limit of 70 parts per trillion (ppt), while water sample results were slightly below the 70 ppt limit. He also informed the Commissioners that MassDEP required the Academy to conduct sampling of nine nearby private wells for PFAS compounds. Five of the nine tests had been completed but not yet posted. Susan Sama of the BOH informed the Commissioners of the BOH's and public's concerns for potential migration of PFAS contamination from the Academy site to Sudbury's public water supply. Ms. Sama acknowledged awareness of the District's PFAS sampling collected in 2013 under the EPA's UCMR 3 in which PFAS compounds were not detected. Ms. Sama also stated that testing of PFAS compounds would provide assurance to residents that the District was being proactive in addressing this issue. After further discussion, Commissioner Sheldon moved to begin testing of the water supply in January. The motion was made, duly seconded, and approved by unanimous roll call.
3. Director Roy presented his bi-weekly report to the Commissioners and addressed questions regarding to the report. Mr. Roy informed the Commissioners that the District received a cost estimate from Liberty Chevrolet to replace the 2009 Chevrolet K3500 Boxed Utility truck. He also stated that Liberty Chevrolet is on the State's bid list (Commbuys) for purchasing of vehicles and that the cost was within the appropriation amount from the 2019 Annual District meeting. Commissioner Boyd requested that Mr. Roy ensure that the vehicle meets all needs of the District before placing the order.

Mr. Roy also informed the Commissioners that the installation of a fire hydrant at the end of Hemlock Road would be delayed until next spring.

4. Commissioner Sheldon moved to conclude the meeting and enter into Executive Session. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Fox and approved by unanimous roll call.

There being no further discussions the meeting adjourned at 7:05 p.m.

In attendance:

Robert Boyd, Chairman

Robert H. Sheldon, Commissioner

Joshua Fox, Commissioner

Thomas Travers, Treasurer

Susan Sama, Board of Health Member

Bill Murphy, Director of Health Department

Vincent J. Roy, Executive Director