

LANESBOROUGH VILLAGE FIRE and WATER DISTRICT
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BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS' MEETING

April 1, 2022

Roll call: Present: Bill Prendergast, Chairperson, Aaron Williams and Mary Reilly, Board Members, Kevin Swail, Superintendent, Mark Siegars, District Counsel, Linda Pruyne, District Treasurer/Accounting Officer, Jodi Hollingsworth, Clerk, Lori Dilego, Casey Westwood

Agenda of Meeting is as follows:

1. March 4, 2022 minutes and March 11, 2022 minutes not available – to be approved next meeting
2. Website Update – March – 155 site visits – most visited, Berkshire Village and Private Line Connections
3. Personnel Policy – Pruyne to email final version of Personnel Policy to Commissioners and will include any workplace accident, employee must be drug and alcohol tested within three hours
4. Asset Management – no new information
5. Berkshire Village – Lori Dilego reported residents of Berkshire Village are having a problem finding plumbers to connect inside the homes and how difficult the process is regarding plumbing permits and the fee for permit is causing a few residents financial distress – District and Co-op to talk to Town regarding the necessity of Plumbing permit – Siegars suggested District pay for permit fees – Siegars mentioned the funds left in the Co-op could perhaps pay the permit fees and Dilego stated she is not comfortable with that as the Co-op still has bills (specifically monthly monitoring) – Siegars reached out to Deidre at DEP regarding monitoring fees and she said Co-op needs to contact DEP directly and ask to waive monitoring fee. Reilly made motion for District to pay Town \$2,200 for permitting fees up to 40 connections – Passed 3-0
6. Budget – Pruyne working on FY23 Budget – once she is done compiling expenses, she will be able to set rates and fees – Budget meeting set for April 15, 2022 at 10:00am.
7. Rates and Fees – Bangor St – Williams thinks property owners should be responsible for cost of extending water main to their property within the District – Prendergast does not think property owner should be responsible if the property is within the District, wants to vote to rescind District's well policy – discussion on how to prorate cost of extending mains within the District – Siegars to write policy
8. Berkshire Mall – no new information

Superintendent's Report – District has material for Longview Road Bid

Treasurer's Report – Warrant signed

Next meeting: April 15, 2022, 10:00am

Meeting adjourned

