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BOARD OF COMMISSIONER'S MEETING
20 Bridge Street, 6:00 p.m.

January 09, 2026

The Lanesborough Village Fire and Water District held its regular meeting at 20 Bridge Street, Lanesborough, Massachusetts on January 09, 2026 at 10:00 a.m.

Roll call: Present: William Prendergast, Chair; Mary Reilly, Board Member; Aaron Williams, Board Member; Mark Siegars, District Counsel; Kevin Swail, Superintendent; Katie Lemanski, Treasurer; Cindy Roughley, Clerk.

Also present: Patrick Tool, Water System Operator
Joe Popielarczyk from Tighe and Bond

Aaron Williams made a motion to open the meeting at 10:00 a.m. William Prendergast seconded the motion, all in favor, motion carried.

1. The warrant and payroll warrant for December were reviewed and signed.
2. The minutes from the regular meeting of December 04, 2025 were reviewed. Aaron Williams made a motion to accept the minutes. William Prendergast seconded the motion. All in favor, motion carried.
3. Public comments: Mark Siegars presented a citizen's request of the Water District to make the town a limited salt community with a policy to protect against run-off of salt from the roads into wells in the District, to promote safety and to prevent contamination. William Prendergast to contact the DPW director and request that he attend the next meeting. This item to be added to the next meeting's agenda for further discussion.
4. There were no disputes.
5. There were no abatements.
6. Joe Popielarczyk from Tighe and Bond presented update on current projects: the application for the ECWAG grant has been submitted to the USDA. Tighe and Bond had recent calls with Hydrasource regarding ground water monitoring in the district. They are working on the current proposal which will include the final source report, all permits with Mass DEP, local building permits, storm water permits, WEP grant proposal and One Stop Program application will be considered. Mr. Popielarczyk expects the engineering and permitting costs to be at least \$ 600,000.
7. Zoning map update: Joe Popielarczyk from Tighe and Bond presented a map showing the current boundary of the Water District for consideration. Mark Siegars to check with the Legislature regarding if the map needs to be filed with the Legislature or if it can be voted on and approved at the annual meeting. Mr. Popielarczyk to check if the map can be added to the Town Assessor's database and if the district's bounds can be overlaid on the Town Assessor's map. Once finalized the map will be added

- to the Water District website. District Boundary map to be added to the next meeting agenda for further discussion.
8. Miner Road project update: Mary Reilly reported that she gave the list of property owners to Mark Seigars to verify ownership.
 9. Website update: Cindy Roughley reported that there were 74 visitors to the website in the last month. Cindy to add Patrick Tool as Water System Operator to the list of staff on the Meet The Team page.
 10. Financial policies: Katie Lemanski presented three financial policies for review and approval: Grant Administration policy, Investment Management policy and Other Post Employment (OPEB) policy. Mary Reilly made a motion to approve the policies. All in favor, motion carried.
 11. Treasurer's Report: Katie Lemanski reported that as of December 31, 2025 there was a total of \$ 22,411.76 in outstanding revenues. The W-2s have been mailed and the 1099 tax forms have been filed. There are a few more financial policies that are being worked on (sale of surplus property, risk management and anti-fraud policies) to be reviewed at the February meeting.
 12. Federal grants and loans: Mark Siegars reported that the District is still waiting for the proposal from Tighe and Bond on how to move forward with final phases of the Bull Hill Road project.
 13. Legal issues/Mall billing: Kevin Swail reported that he is scheduling the shut off of water at the mall. Kevin will notify the fire chief, the Board of Health, the DEP and the city Pittsfield. Mark Seigars stated that the motion for summary judgment will be filed by the end of January.
 14. MA Rural Water Association recovery for PFAS class action lawsuit update: Mark Seigars stated that the district is waiting for the next payment.
 15. Superintendent's report: Kevin Swail reported that he has been working on hydrant maintenance, as a few were frozen. The water at 630 South Main Street has been shut off due to construction.
 16. The date for the next meeting is Friday, February 06, 2026 at 10:00 a.m. at the Water District office. The March meeting will be at 6:00 p.m. The date for that meeting was tentatively scheduled for March 05, 2026 and will be finalized at the next meeting.
 17. Mary Reilly made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Aaron Williams seconded the motion. All in favor, the meeting was adjourned at 12:05 p.m.