## Tri-Town Water District No. 1 Commission Meeting October 19, 2023

Chairman Darwin Pratt called meeting to order at 6:00 pm.

Commissioners present were: Steve Kayhart, Larry Blacklock, Larry Simino, Ed James, Eric Leonard, Lance Wood and Ernest Audet.

Also present were: Mark Pumiglia, Dwayne Roberts and Tricia Gordon from Tri-Town Water.

A motion was made by Larry Simino, and seconded by Steve Kayhart to approve the minutes of the September 21, 2023 meeting as presented. The motion passed.

No Tap-Ons were presented.

Tricia Gordon updated the board on the longer than normal delinquent account list, noting that this will be the first month hanging just one 'Final Shut Off' notice on customer's doors the week before disconnection date.

We received the 2024 BC/BS health insurance premiums; with an almost 14% increase in rates from last year. A motion was made by Lance Wood to accept the 2024 premium rates; seconded by Ernie Audet. The motion passed.

Regarding the office roof, a quote was received by Keith Betourney from Keith's Roofing for \$26,520.00 to fully replace roof. Discussed what was actually included in the quote; remove old slate roof down to barn boards, sheath and then standing seam. Ernie Audet made a motion to go with Keith's quote to repair/replace office roof; seconded by Larry Simino. The motion passed.

An update on currently bank accounts for Tri-Town Water; Darwin would like to add Steve Kayhart as a signer to all existing accounts, explaining that it would be a good idea to have more than Darwin as a secondary signer. A motion was made by Larry Simino to add Steve's name on all accounts; seconded by Larry Blacklock. The motion passed.

Dwayne Roberts presented the superintendents report; a number of curb stops have recently been dug and repaired; some with the service of Randy Provencher and some with Tri-Town's own equipment. A leak at Sunderland's on Crown Point Road in Bridport was thought to be a leak although after digging Dwayne is thinking it is most likely a spring. Being unsure of either, Tri-Town will be required to pay for the costs. The crew is currently working on seasonal and winterizing accordingly due to the season ending. A tap on was completed on Whitford Road in Addison for Ed Place. A high lift at the water plant got air bound pumping nothing but air, causing some dirty water; good learning experience for the new guys and how to correct the issue. Dwayne is unsure why this happens a couple times per year. A thought from Steve regarding purchasing a skid steer for future use rather than hiring outside services to complete jobs; a maybe for down the road; no motion made.

A motion was made by Steve Kayhart to go into executive session to discuss personnel; seconded by Ernie Audet at 6:50 pm. Larry Simino made a motion to leave executive; seconded by Steve Kayhart at 7:13 pm.

There being no further business, Chairman Pratt adjourned the meeting at 7:13 pm.

Respectively submitted,

Mark A. Pumiglia-Clerk/Treasurer 'emiglie

Tricia Gordon-Office Manager