

MINUTES OF THE FRANKLIN WATER COMMISSIONERS
Tuesday, February 18, 2025 @ 6:00 P.M.
Virtual

Members Present: Mike Lawyer, Brooks Sturtevant, Marshall Ploof, Lisa Larivee, board clerk

Guests: none

Meeting called to order at 6:01 p.m. by Mike Lawyer. Pledge of allegiance was recited.

Agenda Amendments: none

Public Comments: none

Approve Minutes:

Motion made by Marshall/Brooks to approve minutes from October 10th; vote taken, all in favor, motion passed.

Treasurer's Report: tabled

Projects:

Water source funding:

- Discussed comparison of funding with CDS (Sanders funds)/Drinking Water State Revolving Funds (DWSRF) and USDA.
- All work before now cannot go toward CDS funds, they were expended to early in the process. Need to do a Request for Proposal (RFQ) for the engineering firm to bid out for approval by state to use DWSRF.
- CDS grant funds \$592,000/DWSRF loan for \$232,679.
- USDA requires meters to be installed which adds approx. \$100,000 to the project. They have awarded \$599,000 as a loan/\$400,000 as a grant. The loan funds must be used first then the grant funds are used.
- BABA waiver from ANR has been requested still awaiting an answer.

Motion made by Brooks, seconded by Marshall to use the CDS and DWSRF sources for the funding of the project. All members voted in favor; motion passed.

- Mike got emergency approval for the FY24 priority list funds with DWSRF.
- Applied for the FY25 Priority list-intended use funding if necessary to complete.

Other Business & Mail: Still have a leak to find in the system. Mike spoke with VT Rural Waters and suggested doing some isolation tests at the pits/valves/overflow meters to check flow and verify if the meters are correct or leak is in the system lines. Usage January 24; 437,000 gals vs. January 25; 992,000 gals.

Motion made by Brooks/Marshall to adjourn the meeting, all in favor, motion passed.
Meeting adjourned at 6:47 p.m.

Respectfully,
Lisa Larivee
February 20, 2025

These minutes are not official until approved at the Water Commissions next regular meeting.

These minutes were approved at the regular board meeting on June 11, 2025.