



# DORSET FIRE DISTRICT

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Dorset Water Co.

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## DORSET FIRE DISTRICT #1

**June 14, 2021**

**(Via Zoom Call)**

**Present:** Ben Weiss, Chairman, Roger Squire, Lee Fox, Patrick McGuire, Cindy Loudenslager, Rob Gaiotti (Town Manager), Greg Kepler

**Absent:**

Ben Weiss called the meeting to order at 7:03pm.

**Approval of May Minutes**

Lee Fox moved and Roger Squire seconded to approve the May 3rd minutes as presented, motion passed, 4-0.

**Engineer's Report**

G. Kepler presented that Engineer's Report which covered:

- SB Church well exploration work at Cheney Rd site:
- 2 ½" well drilled, soil samples taken to 75' depth
- Focus was put on 22'-42' depth – at around 32' SB Church had 75gpm of very clear water. Preliminary recovery testing showed a good recovery time, but a bit slower than expected.
- SB Church recommends extended pumping and monitoring work to get a better sense of the water source, recovery time etc. Cost for this around \$5,000. It was noted that Operations staff might be able to accomplish this.
- Next Steps: Quality results return, that would have to be followed by microparticulate testing due to the depth of the water, followed by a preliminary engineering report to outline development and treatment costs to allow DFD to make an informed decision about the source.

Discussion ensued about how this new source would or could dovetail with the larger service line replacement project. Additional discussion ensued possible next steps and what the overall strategy should be. G. Kepler noted that cautiously optimistic would be the best way to view things as there are still hurdles to clear from a water quality standpoint.

Other items included:

- ARA coordination – there are 45 sites in the OCE construction plans that are tagged as needed ARA review. OCE will work with Hartgen to outline mitigation measures for as many properties as possible, in order to have these portions of the project covered in the securing subsidy process.

Lee Fox moved and Roger Squire seconded to approve the Engineer's report as presented, motion passed 4-0.

### **Water Manager's Report**

R. Gaiotti went through the monthly manager's report giving updates on:

- Service Line Easement updates (47 in hand)
- Continued coordination with State and project officials
- CCR 2020 has been distributed
- Operations work and Safe Yield planning etc.

Roger Squire moved and Lee Fox seconded to approve the Water Manager's Report, motion passed 4-0.

### **Fire Chief's Report**

None

### **Water/ Fire Financials**

R. Gaiotti presented the monthly financial information for Water & Fire Divisions. The water division awaits a reimbursement for the Preliminary Design under the Planning Loan (around \$29,000). Water Division is still operating within the \$50,000 cash flow loan from the Fire Division.

Roger Squire moved and Lee Fox seconded to approve the monthly financials, motion passed 4-0.

There being no further business to discuss the meeting stood adjourned at 8:23pm.

Respectfully Submitted, Rob Gaiotti, Town Manager