

Commissioner Meeting Minutes  
March 11, 2026

Meeting called to order at 4:00 pm.

The Board reviewed and signed Warrants

Mr. Bursch made a motion to approve the minutes of February 25, 2026, and the minutes from the Special meeting on February 25, 2026, seconded, all in favor.

Representatives for the Lunenburg Food pantry came before the Board to see if the Water District would be willing to give or lease the land at Lesure Ave. The food pantry was notified they would be losing their current location. The land that the Water District owns near their office on Lesure Ave was given to them years ago by a local developer. The stipulation was if the Water District wanted to get rid of it, it would need to be given to the Town. The Board said they would think about it and get back to them.

The Supt wanted to let the Board know he had spoken with the landowners, Barney, Powell and Macmillan, about purchasing an easement for the installation of a transmission water main. Macmillan was going to get back to him because that property would need a waiver due to being agricultural land. The purchase of these properties would help lower the cost of developing a new treatment plant.

The Annual meeting is set for Saturday March 28<sup>th</sup>. The meeting will be at the same time as usual, 10AM, but the voting hours are changed to 8am-4PM. The Water District was informed by legal counsel that no early or absentee voting could be conducted for the ballot votes.

The Water District was approved for the SRF funding for the proposed treatment plant on Lancaster Ave including a transmission main from the Hickory Hills well. Unfortunately, the zero percent interest is no longer available. It would be 2% for 20 years or 2.2% for 30 years. The DEP public comment zoom is set for March 24<sup>th</sup>.

The Supt updated the Board that the State just issued a "critical drought" alert. We will continue to monitor as springtime comes.

Mr. Bursch made a statement regarding the email communication that has been coming in from a member of the Citizens for Affordable clean Water. He felt the amount of emails was distracting to the Supt and his essential responsibilities. If any resident has questions or suggestions, he would like them to request to be put on the meeting agenda so that the whole Board can have a public discussion.

Mr. Woodward had a resident reach out to him regarding the Article on the Annual meeting for expanding the District boundaries around 110 Burrage St. He requested that the Supt reach out to the developer and see if he could come to the next meeting before the Annual and give the residents an overview of his project.

#### Public Comment

Andy Starvaski had questions regarding the Surplus account and what funds were used for.

Meeting adjourned 5:00 p.m.

Minutes by Christina Schwinger