

Commissioner Meeting Minutes
July 22, 2026

Meeting called to order at 4:00 pm.

All Board members present

The Board reviewed and signed Warrants

The Board reviewed the minutes from the previous meeting. Mr. Emkey requested that the Clerk revise the minutes to include, "the Clerk stated" before a section regarding the Facebook post she was referencing. Mr. Emkey made a motion to approve the minutes of July 15th, 2026, with the added Clerk reference. Mr. Bursch second, all in favor.

The District is still moving forward with the modified well usage on Lancaster Ave. Well # 2 was low in water and getting tougher to meet demand. The Supt will continue with additional samples being taken, to monitor.

The Water District will need to submit a corrective action plan by September 30th, 2026, to MassDEP showing how we will address the elevated manganese in the well.

The Water District had a main break on Electric Ave this past Saturday. All employees did a great job addressing it and getting it fixed.

The Clerk asked the Board if she could get prices from local contractors to rent a bulldozer to clean up the roads leading to the wells on Lancaster Ave and clean the yard at the office.

Mr. Emkey provided the Board a copy of his, "test data acquisition and accessibility proposal". He requested that the Supt provide the Board with more information on the sampling that is done on the well. The Supt stated he must follow the MassDEP sampling plan that is sent to him. When test results come in for manganese and PFAS, he has created a spreadsheet with all the data. Mr. Emkey requested that information be uploaded to the one drive, shared folder that the Commissioners can access.

Mr. Woodward reviewed the quote the District had gotten to fix the air conditioning system in the office. The system has not worked for years, and multiple companies have come in and tried to fix it. The manufactures of the system came out and provided a quote of \$10,209.60 to fix it. The Board discussed options and agreed that since the parts are all covered by warranty, it was worth getting it fixed. The Supt and Clerk will reach out to the company and see if they can get a better price. Mr. Bursch made a motion to approve the quote for \$10,209.60 to have the air conditioning system fixed. Mr. Emkey second, all in favor.

Public Comment

Paul Grunditz, 35 John St made suggestions on how the Supt could try and get the price lowered to fix the ac system.

Meeting adjourned 5:00 p.m.

Minutes by Christina Schwinger