TOWN OF NORTH HAMPTON WATER COMMISSION

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Tim Harned, Chair Jim Maggiore, Vice Chair, Select Board Ex-officio Janet Larsen, Recording Secretary Henry Fuller Kathy Kilgore

North Hampton Water Commission Meeting
November 28 at 4:00 PM
Town of North Hampton
Mary Herbert Conference Room
North Hampton NH

(DRAFT)

Commissioners in attendance: Tim Harned Kathy Kilgore Janet Larsen Jim Maggiore

Mr. Harned called the meeting to order at 4:07 PM

Mr. Harned proposed moving forward with the election of officers to the North Hampton Water Commission.

Ms. Kilgore moved and Mr. Maggiore seconded the Motion to elect Mr. Harned as Chair of the North Hampton Water Commission.

The Motion passed 4-0.

Mr. Harned moved and Ms. Kilgore seconded the Motion to elect Mr. Maggiore as Vice-Chair of the North Hampton Water Commission.

The Motion passed 4-0.

Ms. Kilgore moved and Mr. Maggiore seconded the Motion to elect Janet Larsen as Recording Secretary of the North Hampton Water Commission.

The Motion passed 4-0.

The Aquarian Rate Case Summary was presented by Chair Harned who will be presenting it to the Budget Committee on 11/29 (see attached Addendum: Aquarian rate case 2022-2023 Summary). Discussed the high cost to the town of hydrant management (about \$2,000/hydrant) compared to other water companies who provide the same service. Ms. Larsen suggested the quarterly Aquarian Report be a shared presentation with the Hampton Water Commission and Select Boards so that questions can be asked to clarify content before presently publicly at the Select Board meeting. There were no actions approved and no votes taken.

MINUTES OF PRIOR MEETINGS

Approval of Minutes of Regular Meeting of March 21, 2022. Motion: To approve the Regular Meeting Minutes of March 21,2022 as presented. Ms. Kilgore moved and Mr. Maggiore seconded.

The Motion passed 3-0-1.

Mr. Harned adjourned the meeting without objection at 4:55 PM

Respectfully submitted, Janet Larsen, Recording Secretary

TOWN OF NORTH HAMPTON Budget Committee

Presentation of Proposed Operating Budget for Fiscal Year 2024



Aquarion rate case 2022-2023 Summary

Based on 2019 test year

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Base Rate:
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$35,000,000 Aquarion Net Plant Value (Approximate)
$7,226,523 Aquarion annual revenue, approximate, FY2019
$1,373,000 Aquarion initial proposed increase
Included some 2020 &2021 plant improvements
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Moved plant improvements to Step I

(\$305,000) Agreed Final Revenue Increase Estimate a 5-7.5& rate decrease

Hydrants:

- 12% Hydrants currently as a % of total Aquarion revenue Cannot break issue, excessively high, fire insurance aspect
- 14% Aquarion proposed larger hydrant share of revenue
- 16% Proposed Hydrant % increase, even with rate decrease
- 12% Agreed settlement percentage of Aquarion Revenue

Aquarion rate case 2022-2023 Summary

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Step I Increase: (Settlement Agreement allowed for at later date)
 $12,079,591 Aquarion Plant Improvements 2020 & 2021
                Treatment (basic) Plant, PFAS treatment, wages and benefits
  $1,561,436 Not to Exceed Rate Step Adjustment/Step Increase
                In Settlement Agreement
  $1,328,088 Actual Final Rate Step I Adjustment (Post Settlement Agreement)
     $68,000 North Hampton Hydrant portion - Annual
Rate Recoupment Adder: Permanent to Step I Adder/Surcharges
                OCA, Hampton and North Hampton unaware
  ($639,417) Customer Credit due to Temporary greater than Permanent
                1-Feb-2021 to approval Step I
    $790,898 Step to Perm Rate Recoupment Adder
    $151,481 Net One Time Charge to Customers, over 12 billings
     $15,506 North Hampton Hydrant portion - 1 Time
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