Water Commission Minutes 3-4-19 DRAFT 6pm Camels Hump Middle School

Called to Order: 6:03pm

Present: David Sander, Bard Hill, Christy Witters, Josh Arneson, Kendall Chamberlin, Jessica Draper, Connie Bona John Paul Lavoie

Public Comment: John Paul Lavoie said that he was present to find a solution to the water-sewer bill issue. He said he received a copy of the memo discussing appeal versus abatement.

Additions to the Agenda: None

Appeals/Abatements: Josh explained how the memo about abatement and appeal came to be. Jessica explained the difference between the two. She said that the selectboard has power to hear appeals of disconnection based solely on the accuracy of the bill or whether the town followed proper procedure for the disconnection. Discussion ensued about the criteria and ability to approve or deny the appeal. John Paul said that his issue was that he has no where else to go about it and wondered if another type of equipment would alert users to spikes in usage. Consensus was the that checking the meters regularly was the best course of action. Jessica explained that the disconnection process would begin immediately following a decision on the appeal. Christy Witters moved to revisit the appeal during the selectboard meeting immediately following this meeting. Seconded by Bard Hill. All were in favor. So moved.

Superintendent's Report: Kendall gave a brief update about the contract and training new staff. He also discussed the CHMS line extension and Pete's new prices for servicing vehicles at the Highway garage. He also mentioned that his new staff person would be working in conjunction with the Planning and Zoning department to digitally map the system.

Minutes: Christy Witters moved to approve the minutes of 2-19-19. Seconded by Bard Hill. David Sander and Christy Witters voted in favor. Bard Hill abstained. Motion failed. Minutes approval was postponed until the next meeting.

Next Agenda: minutes approval, reorganization, policies, fees

Bard Hill moved to adjourn. Seconded by Christy Witters. All were in favor. Adjourned 6:35pm