

## **January 8, 2024, Deep River WPCA Meeting**

**Call to order:** Chairman MacKenzie called this meeting to order @ 7:30 pm

**Members in attendance:** Eckenroth, Reyher, Connor, DeMik, MacKenzie

**Audience:** none

**Acceptance of Minutes:** On motion by Eckenroth, seconded by Reyher, and carried, the minutes from the December 2023 meeting were accepted as presented.

### **Plant Operations:**

Ely presented the Operations Report. The Facility is in good operating condition. To bring new members up to speed, Ely gave a brief presentation on the Mission reporting system.

**Financial Reporting:** The budget appears to be in good order. The Comcast Line had a cost increase as the “introductory rate” has expired; this line will be short.

**New Business:** Upon *Motion* by Eckenroth, seconded by Reyher and carried, the Law Firm of Ciulla & Donofrio will be retained as WPCA Counsel. A 5k retainer will be sent to the firm upon written confirmation of the verbal agreement.

### **Old Business:**

**Variations of Capital Cost Recovery on WPCA Projects:** This discussion was carried on from the December 2023 meeting. The methodologies, either singularly or in combination, were discussed. The two pending projects, the shovel-ready 2.5M Essex Street Sanitary Sewer Expansion and the proposed Hemlock / Scenic View/ Valley Regional High School Expansions, were discussed. The Authority will discuss the bonding of these projects with the Board of Selectmen and Superintendent of Region 4 Schools.

**Motion to Adjourn:** Upon *Motion* by Reyher, seconded by Eckenroth, and carried, this meeting adjourned at 9:25 PM.

Respectfully submitted,  
Peter Lewis  
Recording Clerk