

The monthly meeting of the Caribou Utilities District was held Wednesday April 3, 2024 in the City Council Chambers located at 25 High Street, Caribou, Maine.

Trustees Present;

Gary Aiken, President

David Martin, Treasurer

David Belyea, Trustee

Philip McDonough, Trustee

Jay Kamm, Treasurer

Others Present;

Hugh Kirkpatrick, General Manager

Sue T Sands, Office Manager, Clerk

President Gary Aiken called the meeting to order at 6:00 P.M. Philip McDonough moved and David Belyea seconded the motion to approve the minutes of the March 13, 2024 meeting. UNANIMOUSLY VOTED.

After reviewing the Budget and Financial Reports for March, Philip McDonough moved and David Martin seconded the motion to approve the reports as presented. UNANIMOUSLY VOTED.

March 2024 Manager's Report

A Water Projects

Manager Kirkpatrick reported the loaming and re-seeding of the booster station will be completed in the spring.

B. Wastewater Projects

Grimes Phase 2 (CWSRF) The application to the DEP due April 8, 2024 for Wastewater System Upgrades was discussed.

The City has moved to option number two for the Chadwick-Baross project and is requesting approximately \$269,000.00. The City has authorized up to \$220,000.00 from ARPA NEU funds. Other options will be pursued for receiving more funding.

C. Other Issues

A Water rate increase following PUC 6104C regulations was discussed. Philip McDonough moved and David Belyea seconded the motion authorizing the District to proceed forward with the 1.48% increase. UNANIMOUSLY VOTED.

Manager Kirkpatrick discussed a discharge incident reported March 30, 2024 at 694 River Road, Caribou, Maine as a result of a power outage, high flows, and failure of equipment. The DEP was notified and the District will do specific measures necessary to prevent recurrence.

The District has started getting prices from contractors to re-shingle the water garage and re-shingle and re-side the main office.

David Belyea moved and David Martin seconded the motion to go into executive session, Title 1, Chapter 13, 405 (6) (E), Consultations between a body or agency and its attorney concerning the legal rights and duties of the body or agency, pending or contemplated litigation at 6:18 PM. The trustees came out of executive session at 6:43 PM. Meeting was adjourned at 6:45PM

Sue T Sands,

Office Manager, District Clerk