

**RYE WATER DISTRICT  
MEETING MINUTES**

Wednesday, December 21, 2022 – 9:00 a.m.  
Water District Office – 60 Sagamore Rd.

**Commissioners Present:**

**Arthur Ditto, Chair  
Ralph Hickson  
Scott Marion**

**Others Present:**

**Resident Ben Tweedie**

**I. Call to Order**

Chair Ditto called the meeting to order at 9:02 a.m.

**II. Aquarion Water**

**Adam Simonsen, and John Walsh, representatives from Aquarion Water,** met with the Commissioners to discuss the possible merger of the Rye Water District with Aquarion Water. The Commissioners took the information presented by Aquarion under advisement.

**III. 2023 Projects**

**Chris Berg, Wright-Pierce, and Superintendent Arik Jones** reviewed estimates received for planned projects for 2023.

Note: *Scott Marion left the meeting at 11:05 a.m.*

**IV. Budget Work Session**

The Commissioners reviewed the proposed budget for 2023 and made some slight adjustments. Budget to be voted on by the Commissioners at the January monthly meeting. They also reviewed the proposed usage fee increases for water used over the annual allotment.

**V. Encumbrances**

- Installation of Pipe Work for Point of Entry

**Motion by Ralph Hickson to encumber a not to exceed amount of \$71,000 for the point of entry piping. Seconded by Art Ditto. Vote: 2-0 (Scott Marion not present for vote.)**

- **Office Painting**

**Motion by Ralph Hickson to encumber \$4,800 for office painting. Seconded by Art Ditto. Vote: 2-0 (Scott Marion not present for vote.)**

## **VI. Other Business**

The Commissioners agreed to award the employees with an end of year bonus for outstanding performance.

**Motion by Ralph Hickson to award the Water District staff with a \$750 end of year bonus. Seconded by Art Ditto. All in favor.**

- **Survey**

Chris Berg will continue to work on the survey questions and will email a draft to the Commissioners for review.

## **Adjournment**

**Motion by Ralph Hickson to adjourn at 12:14 a.m. Seconded by Art Ditto. All in favor.**

Respectfully Submitted,  
Dyana F. Ledger