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## **WATER BOARD MEETING MINUTES JANUARY 11, 2023**

A regular meeting of the Town of Red Hook NY was held on January 11, 2023 at 7:00 PM at the Town Hall Court Room.

Present: Hank Van Parys, Chairman, Doreen Buono, Secretary  
Board Members: Larry Carr, Phil McDougall, Greg Fildes, Michael Roomberg  
Other Attendees: Dan Valentine, Tighe & Bond, Fernando Dongo, C3ND,  
Absent: Ablen Amrod, Board Member, Jerry Gilnack, Co Chairman,  
Bill Hamel, Town Board Liaison

The meeting was opened by Chairman, Hank Van Parys at 7:04 pm. Minutes of the previous meeting, September 21, 2022, were approved. Water Board Member, Larry Carr motioned to accept and Water Board Member, Michael Roomberg, seconded.

### **Items:**

1. **Biofilm Build up and low/no chlorine residual at the top of the water tank.**
  - We agreed that a possible reason is low pump volumes, leading to minimal mixing. The lower pump volumes allow pump control, (on/off), via water pressure in the water main. So, we could install a mixer and we can increase the pump volumes.
  - We'll delay the mixer solution.
  - We'll install tank- to- pump communications for pump control, thereby allowing the pumps to operate at full volume. Dan Valentine will "dust off" an old RFP and we'll solicit proposals for the tank- to- pump communications either cellular or radio. In the meantime, we could revert to the use of the timer to turn the pumps off.
  - We can pump to overflow, as needed, with normal pump volumes.
    - a. So, the operator can test chlorine residual in the overflow.
    - b. We can do this regularly, (weekly?), to drain stagnant water. Until we get the communication equipment installed.

**Items Continued:**

**2. Should we rehab/repaint the current tank or replace it with a new glass-fused to steel tank:**

Considering the life cycle costs and the uncertainties of paint life the general agreement was that replacement is the way to go.

Points made:

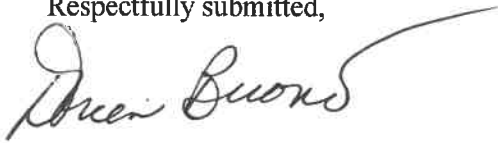
- a. Bard College **must** contribute significantly or:
  - Their access to emergency water will be terminated.
  - We will be able to build a smaller tank, thereby saving significant expense.
  - We must re-do the Town/Bard Agreement
- b. Although there appears to be no imminent reason to rebuild, we will inspect the tank more frequently. In 2025 vs required 2027.
- c. We may be able to seek a grant again

**3. Miscellaneous:**

- a. Charts showing life cycle comparisons provided by Dan Valentine are from August 2022 report. Members would like to see this report. Dan will send a link.
- b. Members are interested in visiting the facilities. We will set this up with Fernando. Members who are interested will send a note with preferred time and date. Fernando can then pick a date and time that is good for him.
- c. Fernando mentioned that we need to clear the trees and brush growing in the re-rap channel that runs from the tank drain, down the hill to a rep-rap basin. Ablen had mentioned this previously in an email. We will get this done this summer.

The meeting was adjourned and 9:02 PM. Water Board Chairman, Hank Van Parys motioned to adjourn the meeting and Water Board Member, Michael Roomberg, seconded the motion.

Respectfully submitted,



Doreen Buono, Secretary