

**MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE TOWN OF RICHLAND WATER  
ADVISORY BOARD**

**TOWN OF RICHLAND  
1 BRIDGE STREETPULASKI, NY 13142**

**Date:** November 5, 2019

**Kind of Meeting:** Regular monthly water board meeting

**Place:** H. Douglas Barclay Courthouse

**Water Board Members Present:** Craig Sternberg, Chairman

Gerry Licourt

Krista Fox

Doug Schwalm

**Absent:** John Fox, Hwy Superintendent

Ron Novak

**Others in Attendance:** Mary Yerdon, Water Board Clerk

**CALL TO ORDER:** Tonight's meeting was called to order at 6:00pm with Craig Sternberg leading the pledge of allegiance.

Gerry Licourt made a motion to accept the minutes from the October 1, 2019 meeting. Doug Schwalm seconded the motion. All were in favor.

In October 2019, 2,639,000 gallons of water was pumped from the Fernwood wells and 6,835,000 was pumped from the Schoeller wells. This amount is approximately 1,000,000 gallons less than last year at this time.

The water operators met with Mr. Brosnan regarding his property split and the legal requirement for water service. He has paid for the new parts to install the new water lines required. The operators and John Fox will schedule it.

Rural Water representative, Doug Smorles, went to Chedmardo Campground at the request of the water operators and the campground owner to try to locate a leak. It was successful and the owner was able to fix the problem.

Supervisor Krupuk would like the water board to be thinking about a small increase in water rates next year rather than hit the taxpayers with a large increase in a few years. There was a brief discussion and they will revisit this in the spring after looking at the budget.

Land Bank, a non-profit 501-C, has requested to have the \$150.00 disconnect fee waived on an old burnt house they purchased and are tearing down. After discussion, it was voted on to waive the fee. Mary Yerdon was instructed to send a

letter to a property owner on Philips drive advising them of the option to disconnect from the system.

The water towers were cleaned last week by Pittsburgh Tank.

Town Board Members, and Town Supervisors from Richland and Sandy Creek, Barton & Loguidice, Terry Wilbur, from Assemblyman Barclays office and Water Operators met with DEC employees regarding the permits for Water District #5. They walked the problem area and then toured the Schoeller wellsite. Barton & Loguidice felt it was a good meeting and are hopeful of the permit being issued soon. The project cannot move forward without this permit.

At 6:40 Doug Schwalm made a motion to close the meeting; Gerry Licourt seconded it. All were in favor.

The next meeting is December 3, 2019 in the H. Douglas Barclay Courthouse jury room.

Respectfully Submitted,

Mary Yerdon  
Town of Richland Water Department Clerk