

Prudence Island Water District
Minutes of meeting: June 28, 2008

Meeting was called to order at 1:00 p.m. Present were David Buffum, moderator; Patricia Richard, clerk; Robert Hanson, and Richard Brooks. Absent was Phillip Brooks.

Approval of minutes: Motion by Richard Brooks to approve the minutes of May 31, 2008, seconded by Mr. Hanson, approved unanimously.

Administrative: Ms. Richard reported having a second conversation with Gary Chobanian confirming date for Certificate of Approval from Dept. of Health for RICWFA financing. She said that she informed Sandra Mack, special counsel to the district, of the date of issuance.

Technical: Richard Brooks said that Phillip Brooks would be carrying out well monitoring and stream flow measurements over the weekend. He said that the recent rainfall measured 2-1/2 inches and should help the wells maintain reasonable levels for the time being.

Correspondence: none

Other business: Bill Capron informed the board that he had passed his water system operators' test and had started the required training for certification. He said that he had been working on repairing the road the hill at Sandy Point. Mr. Hanson asked what the timeline was for completion of Sandy Point hill. Discussion of the town's requirements for road repair standards. Mr. Buffum asked if any of the town's expectations regarding road work were in writing. Mr. Hanson said that making sure that the town documented their requirements was the responsibility of the PIUC Board of Directors. Mr. Capron said that completion was largely dependent on when Bill Silvia could obtain the necessary asphalt. He said there was also an issue with regard to replacing stairs on the west side of the hill. Mr. Hanson warned that liability could be associated with any issue regarding the safety of the stairs. Ms. Richard asked if there were any applicable building regulations regarding such structures. Mr. Hanson said all issues associated with Sandy Point hill must be addressed prior to acquisition. Ms. Richard said that she would check the minutes of the meeting that Mr. Burgess, who owns one of the two sets of stairs, attended last summer to see what he had said about the town's obligations regarding the stairways.

Mr. Capron also said that the water system would be flushed soon to address issue of rust in the lines. He said that the #4 Indian Springs well had been purged recently. Ms. Richard said that Mr. Rinker, PIUC operations manager, had told her that #4 was producing 38 GPM after the well had been purged. Ms. Richard also said that the water quality had been particularly bad lately in her neighborhood (Homestead). Mr. Capron said that he experienced bad water in his neighborhood (Midway) in the wake of a valve repair on Broadway.

Meeting adjourned to executive session at 1:25 p.m.

Patricia Richard, Clerk