

**Approved Minutes East Berkshire Fire District 1 Regular meeting
November 14, 2023 @6:30pm
Berkshire Town Hall**

Attendees:

Board Members: Katie Boylan and Tracey Bushey

Treasurer/Clerk: Samantha Elwood

Visitors: John Kiernan (RCAP) Ross Dunham (SOS) Kertus Elwood and Paul Sestito (VTRWA)

Meeting called to order at 6:42PM

1. Paul Sestito introduced himself. No new business presented by visitors.

2-4. Tabled- no quorum so an official meeting could not commence.

5a. We currently have four active grant/applications in progress, will assign a color to each to ease in keeping them straight. Blue= a loan from the USDA to take over the current GWSRF 4 year loan. It will be a 0% interest for 12 years. Green= WIIN grant for \$270k to use for a new well source that is currently being investigated at the Godbout property. Matthew Hunt is taking over for Dana Nagy. Red= Rural development we still have \$65k in funds that we can use towards expenses related to the system and the old project. Orange= AARPA funds are in the TD account, they are put aside for supply line replacements, we are going to have Dylan G (A&D Excavating) track each project as he goes so we do not exceed our limit. Yellow= \$500k grant through Bernie Sanders office- we have passed the first level of approval- no further information at this time.

5b. Tabled until next meeting.

6a-6b. Tabled until next meeting.

6c. Project is ongoing.

7-9 Tabled until next meeting.

- Lead service line inventory needs to be completed by October of 2024. Otter Creek Engineering will do this for us.

Meeting was adjourned at 8:01pm