

**Approved Minutes East Berkshire Fire District 1 Special meeting
September 26th, 2023 @6:30pm
Berkshire Town Hall**

Attendees:

Board Members: Andrew Hoadley and Katie Boylan
Treasurer/Clerk: Samantha Elwood
Visitors: John Kiernan and Tracy Bushey

- Andy called meeting to order at 6:58pm
- Andy made a motion to nominate Tracy Bushey to the board, seconded by Katie- unanimous approval. Bonnie Stowe was not at the meeting but Andy had discussed with her prior and got her approval- will get formal approving in writing.
- Katie made motion to accept the Aug 8th, 2023 meeting minutes, seconded by Andy, unanimously passed.
- Andy motioned to accept the August treasurer's report given the following changes-verify Manosh/Sullivan payment dates/amounts, seconded by Tracy, unanimously passed.
- Andy motioned to accept September treasurer's report, seconded by Katie, unanimously passed.
- Katie motioned to sign #15 pay request to submit to USDA for reimbursement of Sullivan, Powers & Co, Jeff Jewett trucking, and Otter creek engineering invoices, seconded by Tracy, unanimously passed.
- Ben (State of Vermont geologist) will be at the Oct meeting to review the new water source project and give a status update. No action needed at this time.
- Meter Vault review completed, confirmed there is a fluctuation in pressure.
- To fix pressure issue it is recommended that the district replace the current line to a 4" line, where it currently goes from 4"-2" and then back to 4". Need to get quote from possible companies to do the work, will try to get a couple quotes to price compare.
- Supply line replacement- Katie has gotten a quote from A&D excavating, for 65 units (labor, equipment and seed/straw only) \$134,210.00. Katie has also gotten about 20 signatures from homes authorizing replacement, will continue to work to get remainder. The quote accounts for one house a day, but they hope to be able to do more than one per day. Andy made motion to accept \$255/hr rate and begin these as soon as A&D is able to begin, seconded by Tracy, unanimously passed.
- Andy confirmed that EBFD berkshirevt.com domain has been set up and is active.
- Andy gave the district his letter of resignation effective September 30th,2023.
- Multiple board members/ John cannot attend meeting on 10/10/2023, tentative new meeting date set to Oct 11th. Andy will review if town hall is open and John will check with Ben to see if he can attend that date.
- Tracy made motion to adjourn meeting at 8:25pm, Katie seconded, passed unanimously.