

The monthly meeting of the Caribou Utilities District was held Wednesday, July 12, 2023 in the City Council Chambers located at 25 High Street, Caribou, Maine

Trustees Present;  
Gary Aiken, President  
David Martin, Treasurer  
Philip McDonough, Asst Treas.  
Jam Kamm, Trustee  
David Belyea, Trustee

Others Present;  
Hugh Kirkpatrick, General Manager  
Sue T. Sands, Office, Mgr. Clerk  
Tim Todd, Citizen  
Penny Thompson, City Manager  
Melissa Lizotte, Aroostook Republican

President Gary Aiken opened the meeting at 6:00 P.M. Philip McDonough moved and Jay Kamm seconded the motion to approve the minutes of the June 14, 2023 monthly meeting. UNANIMOUSLY VOTED. Trustee Philip McDonough questioned account # 550 for wastewater. A safety grant was submitted in April to MMA for safety items in the amount of \$3,450.00. Once MMA receives the cancelled check for the purchase, a reimbursement of \$3,000.00 will be credited to account # 550. Account # 650.6 for the water division was questioned and Sue explained most of the total spent in this account as well as account # 606 were expenses on the jet truck in order to get it operational for the summer. Account # 603.10 was also questioned and Sue explained two pump stations had been updated with re-furbished equipment rather than buying new pumps.

President Gary Aiken questioned other income account #474 on the water side. This income includes sale of land on Collins Street, sale of valve exerciser, sale of Hudson trailer, and sale of water sold from hydrant on 176 Limestone Street to be delivered to customers for pool filling. Account 474-01 through #474-12, also classified as other miscellaneous income, includes fees charged for connection, disconnection of water, collection fee, plumbing/meter installation, and other miscellaneous fees associated with establishment and restoration of water service. Dave Belyea moved and Jay Kamm seconded the motion to approve the reports as presented. UNANIMOUSLY VOTED.

The District received notification June 28, 2023 that we were placed on the DWSRF Primary Project List of funding for the "Water Tank Painting Project" with the following terms and principal forgiveness allowed (loan amount of \$737,000.00, principal forgiveness of 35%, \$258,000.00). Philip McDonough moved and Jay Kamm seconded the motion authorizing the District to move forward and confirm interest in the DWSRF offer for construction funds for this Tank Painting Project. UNANIMOUSLY VOTED. **THE MANAGER'S REPORT FOR JULY 12, 2023 IS ATTACHED.**

Manager Kirkpatrick will meet Friday morning with Scott Ouellette and Joe Bither regarding the wood to be harvested on the River Road, and file necessary paperwork as needed to the State, etc.

President Aiken moved and David Martin seconded the motion to remove the funds in the account at Aroostook Savings and Loan borrowed for the Fiber project from the wastewater division. UNANIMOUSLY VOTED. Sue will deposit the funds into a CD for 12 months.

Philip McDonough moved and Dave Belyea seconded the motion to adjourn the meeting at 6:45 PM. UNANIMOUSLY VOTED. The next scheduled meeting will be Wednesday, August 9, 2023 in the City Council Chambers beginning at 6:00 P.M.

Sue T Sands, Office Manager, District Clerk