

Manchester-By-The-Sea

Meeting Posting

Notice of Public Meeting – (As required by M.G.L.Ch.30A §18-28)

Board/Committee: Water Resources Protection Task Force

Day & Date: Monday, March 6, 2023

Time: 12:00 PM

Location: HYBRID – Room 7 and Zoom Link Below

Signature: Sue Croft

Attendees: Steve Gang, Jeff Cochand, Fred Wales, Olga Hayes, Ron

Mastrogiacomo, Tom Kehoe, Ann Harrison, Nate Desrosiers, Chuck Dam, John Round, Sue Croft,

Ian Kasowitz (Stiles), Arthur Menezes (Stiles), Ryan Johnson (Stiles)

MINUTES

- Ian Kasowitz from Stiles gave a presentation on the Badger Water Meter. Ian was joined by Arthur Menezes and Ryan Johnson. That presentation can be found <u>HERE</u>. The representatives from Stiles showed the meter options as well as the associated software that is used in conjunction with the meters.
- Summary of Key Points:
 - 1. Ultrasonic meters offer greater accuracy over a longer lifetime, plus less vulnerability to our mineral-rich hard water.
 - 2. Infrastructure-free radio endpoints use M2M cellular system less capital cost and easier to operate and upgrade.
 - 3. "Flood" of available data on usage, plus monthly billing, may require additional staff time (including keeping tabs on effects of conservation water rates)
 - 4. Stiles encourages a pilot test by offering a "Starter Kit" @ <\$2500 (10-12 meters?), which could be a smart investment for 2023.
- The meeting was adjourned at 1:20 PM.