Meeting Minutes Randolph Fire District #1 Thursday January 18, 2024

Attending: John Lens, Dana Dean, John Doss, Trudy DeFlorio, Bill DeFlorio, Dave Famham, Bob Dileo

John Lens called the meeting to order at 7:05 pm

Old business

- 1. November 16, 2023 meeting minutes were approved. 1) Dana Dean 2) John Doss
- Treasurer's report: Bill D. handed out Profit and Loss Comparison for May 1, 2023 January 18, 2024 (attached). There are currently 4 overdue accounts. Bill reported that the Pilot Payment (approx. \$9000) from the state (through the town of Randolph) should be coming soon. Bill will follow up on this.
- 3. Engineer's report: Dave F. reported that it was discovered by P2 that a clip on the time clock for the pump fell off resulting in the pump running for approximately 2 days. Also discovered was a crack in the plastic line for the chlorinator. Both situations were fixed.
- 4. John L. has recruited 4 UVM students that are involved with working on a "engineering recommendation report" for the combined RFD#1 and VTSU water system(s) disinfection process, including chlorine as well as ultra violet or other methods, and including the SCADA system we are contemplating. These students will come to see the set-up and will research the disinfection and SCADA systems to make recommendations.
- 5. John L. reported that he had attended a meeting on January 9 at VTC, also attended by VT Rural Water, Randolph Technical Career Center, and VTSU Workforce and Professional Education program where ideas to address the lack of certified personnel for water systems and wastewater systems operations were discussed. Work force interest and development in these areas, including necessary trainings were discussed. John has not yet been able to set up a meeting with Jim Hill (VTSU) regarding the issue of the combined water systems both being under-resourced. The RFD#1 needs to find out from Jim who at VTSU leadership should receive a written letter from RFD#1 regarding the responsibilities and coordination of the operation of the combined water systems. Dave Farnham offered to follow up on contacting Jim Hill to arrange a discussion.
- 6. John said that other nearby small town water systems are facing similar issues and that in the future there might be opportunity to collaborate to meet needs.
- 7. Permit to Operate: There was no discussion as there has been no response from the state.
- 8. Report on status of archiving RDF #1 records: on hold for now.
- 9. Vote to adjourn meeting: 1) Dave F. 2) Dana D.

New Business

The next meeting will be Thursday, February 15, 2023.

Respectfully submitted Trudy DeFlorio, Clerk