

Town of Westerlo
Water Board
Westerlo, New York
Water Board Meeting Minutes
Date: December 30, 2021

Location: Westerlo Town Hall, Westerlo, New York

Board Members Present: Chairperson Jim Loux, Bill Slaver, Kelley Keefe,

Chairperson Jim Loux called the meeting to order at 7:10 pm.

The board reviewed the minutes from the October 8, 2020 meeting. Bill Slaver made the motion to accept the minutes; Kelley Keefe seconded the motion; All in favor.

AYE: Kelley Keefe, Jim Loux, Bill Slaver

NAYE: None

Old Business: None

New Business:

First Item: 2022 Budget & Rate Schedule Changes:

Proposing to keep the 2022 rates the same as 2021. The rate would be \$22.68/1000 gal. and the annual fee will increase to \$333.34 per dwelling unit. Kelley Keefe made motion to make recommendation to board; Bill Slaver seconded the motion. All members present in favor.

AYE: Kelley Keefe, Jim Loux, Bill Slaver

NAYE: None

Second Item: American Rescue Act Grant: The town has received \$57,388 from the American Rescue Act and applied it to the balance owed by the Water District to the Town, as noted in the minutes of 10/13/2021.

“Councilman Kryzak reviewed the water district proposed budget explaining that \$57,388 of is American Recovery Act (ARPA) money under “General Gov’t Aid”. Water district customers currently have to pay a total of \$3,000 a year on a loan owed to the Town of Westerlo. One of the designations that the ARPA money could be used for is infrastructure so Mr. Kryzak transferred \$57,388 of the ARPA money to pay off the loan to the Town relieving the water district customers of that debt. Councilwoman Burnside advised this was run by the Town Attorney. Councilman Kryzak also mentioned the maintenance and repairs line was reduced due to alleviating this debt. The bond payment was added to the Statutory Installment Bond in the budget which will get paid next year.”

As this meeting was to approve the new rates, the Water Board will schedule another meeting in the spring to address other issues.

Kelley Keefe motioned to adjourn the meeting at 7:27 pm; Bill Slaver seconded the motion. All members present in favor.

Respectfully submitted,
Kelley Keefe