

Grandin Water District
Commissioners' Meeting

April 28, 2023

MINUTES

- Call to Order** A quorum being present, a meeting of the Grandin Water District (GWD) Commissioners was called to order by the chair Alex Strysky at 3:00 p.m. in Room 205, Palmer Hall, 231 Main St. Northfield, MA.
- Attendance** All members were present, to wit: Tim Cosgrove, Alex Strysky, Peter Weis. Dennis McCarthy, CFO of Thomas Aquinas College attended via Zoom.
- Discussion** The proposal submitted by Tighe and Bond (T&B) (April 3, 2023) and the revised proposal by Wright-Pierce (W-P) (April 25, 2023) were under continued discussion. While lower than it had been originally, the cost of the W-P proposal still was substantially higher than that suggested by T&B. Commissioners highlighted the familiarity of T&B with the present water system and their promise of a site visit was particularly reassuring. Some discussion followed regarding the manner of financing the work, and the details of Thomas Aquinas' involvement, as well as the need to establish the GWD as a 501(c)3 corporation (or equivalent) in order to enter into an agreement with T&B. The commissioners will update East Northfield Water Company president, Don Glascoff of progress towards employing an engineering firm. Regrets will be sent to Wright-Pierce. Mr. Weis then made a motion to authorize the chair of the Grandin Water District to enter an agreement with the engineering firm Tighe and Bond to undertake the scope of work for the said Grandin Water District, detailed in their proposal dated April 3, 2023, which was duly seconded and VOTED to authorize the chair of the Grandin Water District to enter an agreement with the engineering firm Tighe and Bond to undertake the scope of

work for the said Grandin Water District, detailed in their proposal dated April 3, 2023.

Adjournment The meeting was adjourned at 4:59 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,
Peter H. Weis
Clerk Grandin Water District