

Minutes of the Penacook/Boscawen Water Precinct

Location of Meeting: 9 Woodbury Lane
Boscawen, N.H. 03303

Present at Meeting: Nathan Young, Commissioner, Chair
Bill Murphy, Commissioner
Frank Dineen, Commissioner
Lauren Hargrave, Clerk
Cheryl Mitchell, Administrative Consultant

The regular meeting of the Penacook/Boscawen Water Precinct was called to order at 9 Woodbury Lane, Boscawen, N.H. of September 24, 2025, at 5:30 p.m. by Commissioner Nathan Young, Chair.

Financial Update:

Commissioners signed manifest and checks.

Approval of minutes from last meeting:

Commissioner Bill Murphy made a motion to approve the Regular Meeting minutes of September 10, 2025. Seconded by Commissioner Frank Dineen. Passed Unanimously.

New Business:

1. How will the water project affect the budget and water rates \$30 -> \$33, .685 ->.74.33, \$120 -> \$130, 9%: Commissioner Nathan Young reported the numbers being discussed take into consideration the two bond loans which are currently being paid. The monthly amount being paid is currently subtracted from the monthly \$230,000 a year needed to pay for a new project loan would leave \$67,000 more than what is currently being paid. Therefore, to keep the Precinct where it financially stands currently, it is approximately a 9% increase in water rates to cover the increase after considering the current bond loan payments. Commissioner Bill Murphy noted that these newly proposed water rates are being based on the fact that the voters do vote for the project at the annual meeting. It was also noted that the 9% increase would be only for the water project and not for the annual water rate increase. Basically, the year which includes the 9% increase would be a total of a 12% increase. The normal 3% annual increase in inflation would continue yearly after the initial 12% increase for the year of the project, i.e., 2026. Cheryl Mitchell noted that if there are two different scenarios, a discussion would need to take place with

the Department of Revenue, as the budget information is due into their portal prior to the annual voting. A discussion took place regarding presentation of the project, budget, and potential rate increase/s. Commissioner Nathan Young reported that Jordan from Wright-Pierce did contact the Rural Development loan people regarding a decision which will be made by September 30th. No update has been received as of this date. It was noted that if the Precinct is not eligible for the Rural Development Loan, then it would be moot, and no warrant article will be necessary for the Precinct's annual meeting.

2. Franklin Savings Bank WIF Account Inactivity: Commissioner Bill Murphy reported the WIF account inactivity all set. A check was issued for the WIF fees, and he will deposit it into the FSB savings account tomorrow. It was noted that the FSB account sweeps into the WIF account.
3. Queen Street Tank Shed Roof: Commissioner Bill Murphy reported no work has not yet been done to the Queen Street Tank shed roof. The work still needs to be done.
4. Merrimack County Complex Overpayment Refund: Commissioner Bill Murphy will deliver the overpayment refund check to Duston at the Merrimack County Complex tomorrow.
5. Howard Paving: Commissioner Bill Murphy presented the other Commissioners with a letter for signatures to procure the correct identification tax number from Howard Paving. They supplied the Precinct with a social security number and not a business EIN. The letter was signed and will be sent out via mail tomorrow.
6. TDS Bill: Commissioner Nathan Young reported he contacted TDS last Friday and the customer service individual will make sure it is taken care of and confirmed the Precinct is up to date with the current billing. All late fees, etc., can be ignored.
7. Leak Survey: Commissioner Nathan Young reported the GIS and having Pennichuck in Town was sufficient for what was needed.
8. Wright Pierce Deliverables: Commissioner Nathan Young reported prior to the meeting tonight he forwarded on a link to the Wright-Pierce Deliverables. They were also sent to the State and Katie Curtis acknowledged receipt and will be looking over them within the next week. Therefore, the grant funding should be released to the Precinct. Commissioner Nathan Young noted the Precinct's GIS has not been updated yet, but in the deliverables, folder does have the hydraulic model and mapping, they just have not been uploaded to the Precinct's GIS yet. Further, Commissioner Nathan Young reported the list of invoices from Wright-Pierce was forwarded on to Cheryl Mitchell. There was a brief discussion regarding what is contained in the list. Commissioner Nathan Young will review and discuss the list with Wright-Pierce for clarification.

9. Tablets: Commissioner Nathan Young reported he contacted the sales representative at FirstNet, and he put him in touch with the local representative. He received an email from the local representative today and read it to the other Commissioners. Some custom lower pricing may be able to be done each iPad can be sold at \$50 each instead of \$200 each. The sale will be with a plan for each tablet. There will be a one-time cost in the first billing if the iPads are not upgraded within the first three years. Additionally, there can be a \$15 monthly limited rate plan on the tables applied instead of the \$37.99 standard monthly pricing. The representative will continue to work on pricing. The total would be a \$150 one-time fee which includes all three units plus \$45 monthly. Commissioner Nathan Young will have a conversation with the representative tomorrow. ***Commissioner Nathan Young made a motion that if there are no additional unknown fees, the tables are \$49.99 each, and there is a \$15 monthly fee per table, that he will sign a three-year contract for three tables. Seconded by Commissioner Bill Murphy. Passed Unanimously.*** A brief discussion took place regarding the tablet's capabilities.
10. Safety Vests: Commissioner Nathan Young reported that he ordered 3 safety vests, two extra-larges and one small/medium. The vest will have the Precinct's water emblem on the front pocket and "Penacook Boscawen Water Precinct" on the back. The cost is \$45 each and the invoice was given to Cheryl Mitchell. It was noted that the payment was placed on the Precinct's Visa.

Old Business:

1. Wright-Pierce LSLI, LGWP, AMPD, SPG: Tabled
2. Well #4: Tabled
3. GIS: Tabled
4. Corrosion Building Generator: Tabled
5. Commercial Street Right-of-Way: Tabled
6. Backflow Failures: Tabled
 - 314 DW HWY (1 out of 2)
 - 325 DW HWY (1 out of 2)
 - 154 King No Access
 - 172 King (1 out of 2)
 - 30 Tremont (1 out of 3)

Meeting Closed:

Motion to Close the Meeting by Commissioner Nathan Young. Seconded by Commissioner Bill Murphy. Passed unanimously. The meeting was adjourned at 6:03 pm. by Commissioner Nathan Young, Chair.

Next Meeting:

The Next Regular Meeting Penacook/Boscawen Water Precinct, 9 Woodbury Lane, Boscawen, NH on October 8, 2025, at 5:30 p.m.

Minutes submitted by: Lauren Hargrave, Recording Clerk on September 12, 2025

Minutes approved by: _____/s/_____ on October 8, 2025

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