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ORGANIZATION: Cherry Valley & Rochdale Water District

MEETING

PUBLIC HEARING (Please circle appropriately)

Thursday, May 18, 2017 DATE:

TIME: 7:30 P.M.

LOCATION: Leicester Town Hall, 3 Washburn Sq, Leicester, MA 01524

REQUESTED BY: Carla Davis, Clerk

ALL MEETING NOTICES MUST BE FILED AND TIME STAMPED IN THE TOWN CLERK'S OFFICE AND POSTED ON THE MUNICIPAL BULLETIN BOARD 48 HOURS PRIOR TO THE MEETING, (in accordance with Chapter 303 Acts of 1975)

ONE:

To elect a Moderator to preside at said meeting and for a period of one (1) year thereafter.

TWO:

To act on the reports of the District.

THREE:

To elect the following officer by ballot:

A resident from the Oxford-Rochdale service area to hold the office of District Commissioner for a

period of three (3) years.

FOUR:

To see if the District will vote to raise and appropriate, transfer from available funds or free cash, or otherwise provide a sum of money, or any other sum, from any available funding source or other available means, for the operating budget for fiscal year 2018, to provide for the District's annual operating requirements, including but not limited to, salaries, related services, office expenses, maintenance, construction and any other items related thereto; to execute any instruments or documents necessary or appropriate to accomplish said purposes; or take any action in relation

thereto.

FIVE:

To see if the District will raise and appropriate, transfer from available funds or free cash or otherwise provide, a sum of money, or any other sum, to create a reserve account, or take any action in relation thereto.

SIX:

To see if the District will vote to authorize the Board of Water Commissioners to establish a fund to receive and deposit fees paid pursuant to Chapter 105 of the Acts of 1996, and, from which expenditures may be made by the Board of Water Commissioners for legal services, administrative services and engineering services (including but not limited to, design, plan review, and inspection of the project being constructed) in connection with any water system design, review, and construction,

or to take any action thereon.

SEVEN:

To see if the District will vote to authorize the Board of Water Commissioners to establish a fund to receive and deposit fees paid pursuant to Chapter 105 of the Acts Of 1996, and, from which expenditures may be made by the Board of Water Commissioners for the purchase and installation of water meters or take any action thereon.

EIGHT:

To see if the District will vote to authorize the Board of Water Commissioners to establish a fund to receive and deposit fees paid pursuant to Chapter 105 of the Acts of 1996, and, from which expenditures may be made by the Board of Water Commissioners for the purchase and rental of supplies and equipment associated with the District's Service Termination Process, including but not limited to construction and excavation equipment rental, police details, backfill materials such as processed gravel and sand, asphalt, pipe, fittings and appurtenances or take any action thereon.

NINE:

To see if the District will vote to ratify the District's expenditure of \$42,515.74 from free cash, in connection with an emergency repair to the eight (8) inch water main in the vicinity of 490 Main Street, Cherry Valley, MA 01611, which emergency expenditure was approved pursuant to G.L. c. 44, § 31, by the Commonwealth of Massachusetts Division of Local Services by letter dated April 4, 2017, or to take any other action thereon.

TEN:

To see if the District will vote to raise and appropriate, transfer from available funds or free cash, or otherwise provide a sum of money, or any other sum, from any available funding source or other available means, or otherwise provide a sum of money as may be necessary to enable the District to pay all costs associated with the repair and/or installation of the retaining wall which had to be removed to enable the emergency repair of the eight (8) inch water main located at 490 Main St, Cherry Valley, MA 01611, or to take any other action thereon.

ELEVEN:

To see if the District will vote to raise and appropriate, transfer from available funds or free cash, or otherwise provide a sum of money, or any other sum, from any available funding source or other available means, or otherwise provide a sum of money as may be necessary to enable the District to pay all costs associated with the re-paving of a portion of the parking lot which was excavated to enable the emergency repair of the eight (8) inch water main located at 490 Main St, Cherry Valley, MA 01611, or to take any other action thereon.

TWELVE:

To see if the District will vote to raise and appropriate, transfer from available funds or free cash, or otherwise provide a sum of money, or any other sum, from any available funding source or other available means, or otherwise provide a sum of money as may be necessary to enable the District to pay costs associated with upgrading and improving the District's water system including but not limited to upgrading the existing interconnection with the City of Worcester, upgrading the instrumentation, valves, piping, the furnishing and installing an aeration mixing system within the Airport water storage tank, and engineering associated with the interconnection project, as well as costs to acquire necessary easements to implement and/or effectuate the upgrades or improvements, or take any action in relation thereto.

THIRTEEN:

To see if the District will vote to raise and appropriate, transfer from available funds or free cash, or otherwise provide a sum of money, or any other sum, from any available funding source or other available means, or otherwise provide a sum of money as may be necessary to enable the District to pay costs of the purchase of residential and commercial ultrasonic/cellular water meters or take any action thereto.

FOURTEEN:

To see if the District will vote to petition the state legislature to Amend the District's Enabling Acts, Chapter 105 of the Acts of 1996, by adding the following sentence at the end of Section 9 of said Act: "Any holder of an elected office in the District may be recalled, and removed from that office, by the qualified voters of the District, as provided in any such By-Law as may be imposed by the qualified voters of the District to recall elected officials from office," or to take any action thereto.

FIFTEEN:

To see if the District will vote to order an external audit of District finances and operations, in accordance with "Exhibit A."

Exhibit A:

To see if the District will vote to solicit bids for a period of 65 days from the date of publication of the request for bids for an External Forensic Audit, so called, including at least one bid from a governmental entity such as the Department of Revenue, Department of Public Utilities, etc., of the District's finances and operations dating back to FY2010, including but in no way limited to all receipts and expenditures, and, if so voted, to permit such bids to be finalized for presentation to the District Commissioners to select which proposal(s) to approve, in order to facilitate the swift and fair audit by the approved entities of all District receipts, expenditures, and operational facilities. No auditing firm shall be considered for approval that has done business with any public entity in the Town of Leicester, including any extension of the Town or any water or sewer district contained therein, prior to FY2000. The District shall thereafter schedule, in accordance with the parameters set forth above herein, an additional meeting to present to the District in reasonable professional detail the findings of such report, and shall make the entire report available to the District on its website and in hard copy immediately following its completion by the approved entity(s), in addition to widely publicizing the audit by press release to local media, including all 3 Major regional television stations, TV-3, Telegram & Gazette, Spencer New Leader, WTAG, and Town of Leicester website.