



# The West Boylston Water District

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**Meeting Date and Time:** Monday November 17, 2025; 5:00pm

**Members Present:** Robert Bryngelson, Jr., James LaMountain, Michael Mard, Stephen Muscente

**Also Present:** Michael Coveney, Heather Isaacs, Michael Ohl

Mr. LaMountain called the meeting to order at 5:00 and notified the participants that the meeting would be audio recorded.

## ITEM 1: TREASURER'S REPORT

Heather Isaacs presented the Water Use Charges, Profit and Loss, Balance Sheet and Aged Receivable reports through October 2025. Mr. LaMountain had Mrs. Isaacs clarify how severe past due balances end up getting paid before changing hands, and how landlords are responsible for tenant's usage if they default on payment. Mr. Muscente questioned whether the FY27 budget would include an increase for technology expenses, which is anticipated. No further questions.

## ITEM 2: SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT

- 1.) No further questions or comments.
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- 6.) No further questions or comments.
- 7.) No further questions or comments.
- 8.) Mr. Bryngelson questioned if there were any filter issues; Mr. Coveney indicated filters are in good working order and scheduled work is regular maintenance.

## ITEM 3: OLD BUSINESS-

**Pleasant Valley filtration plant discussions.** Mr. Ohl outlined some grant opportunities for the District to apply for. He will be working on filling out applications and submittal for (2) separate grants.

Mr. Ohl recommends using one grant (if granted) for an alternatives analysis, which will compare filtration plant/new water source/interconnection feasibility and cost associations. Mr. Ohl is doubtful that a new water source would be available as the District had done a previous search before constructing Pleasant Valley Well #2. Mr. Ohl provided preliminary timelines and cost analysis for construction of a filtration plant and interconnection with the City of Worcester. Outlined some of the benefits and pitfalls of each option. Mr. Coveney noted that the City of Worcester has already indicated that they would not sell water to West Boylston until the pending lawsuit regarding sewer distribution charges was settled. Mr. Ohl recommends applying for the second grant for a larger sum to construct a filtration and treatment plant and all associated costs, then using a state revolving fund loan for any remainder costs that the grant does not cover. Both Mr. Ohl and Mr. Coveney noted the lack of available land for a plant or well construction option. Mr. Ohl is hopeful that Department of Conservation & Recreation might be amenable to providing some land closer to Rt. 140 so current monthly chemical deliveries to Pleasant Valley Well #2 would be moved from the closer proximity of the reservoir, further protecting the aquifer.

**Bowen/Franklin Sts. Water Main Replacement-** tabled until next meeting.

**ITEM 4: NEW BUSINESS-**

**PFAs Settlement-** Class action suit against 3M, Dupont and other polluters responsible for PFAs contamination settled. Whereas West Boylston has very minimal detection, there being any allows ability to join, which was done previously. Mr. Coveney presented settlement amount for 3M, which could be paid at once (fees deducted) or over (8) years. Mr. Mard made a motion to take a one-time payment; Mr. Muscente seconded the motion. Brief discussion regarding amount differences. All voted in favor of taking a one-time payment.

**Crown Castle Cell Tower payments-** Outstanding payment for antennae on the Lawrence Street tank for Dish Network will be paid out by Crown Castle. Agreement presented that attorney reviewed; Mr. Mard made a motion to enter into a 20-year lease agreement with Crown and allow Mr. Coveney to act as overseer of contract; Mr. Bryngelson seconded the motion; all voted in favor. Motion carried.

**ITEM 5: Approval of Meeting Minutes**

Mr. Bryngelson motioned to approve the October 20, 2025 meeting minutes as presented, Mr. Muscente seconded the motion; all voted in favor, motion carried.

**ITEM 6: Future Agenda Items-** None presented

Mr. Muscente made a motion to adjourn; Mr. Bryngelson seconded the motion; all voted in favor. Motion carried. Mr. LaMountain adjourned the meeting at 6:18pm. Next meeting scheduled for December 15 at 5:00pm.

Meeting Minutes of the West Boylston Water District  
November 17, 2025

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Date of Approval: December 15, 2025


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