

Cotuit Fire District

By-Law Committee Minutes

24 April 2019

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Present: Mark Robinson, Penny Lavert, Mimi McConnell, Mark Robinson, Fran Parks for Lisa Mycock Kelly

The meeting was called to order at 6pm. After brief discussion the committee voted unanimously for the new wording of the current Cotuit Fire District Article IX Section 5 with the following:

Article IX Section 5

A Stabilization Fund is hereby established for the sole use of the Water Department in accordance with MGL Ch. 40 Section 5B, as amended 2016. The Water Department Stabilization Fund will be funded annually in an amount equal to the aggregate of \$20.00 per meter for every active meter listed in the preceding December's Water Department census of accounts. The fund will be accounted as a separate stabilization fund by the Treasurer. The Water Department Stabilization Fund is to be used to fund any properly approved, lawful expenditure of the Cotuit Water Department. As per statute, any expenditure to be funded by the Water Department Stabilization Fund will require a 2/3's majority of those present and voting at a District meeting.

It will be replacing.

Section 5: A basic use charge shall be assessed by the Water Commissioners, and each new consumer shall pay this charge before water service is provided. This charge shall be determined by the Commissioners and shall be reevaluated from time to time to reflect reasonably and fairly, the costs of equipment and labor necessary to provide water to new consumers within the District. This charge shall be in addition to the cost of extending water mains and the installation of the water service as stipulated in Section 4. The funds raised by the assessment of this basic charge shall be accounted for by the 12 Water Commissioners separately and shall only be used for capital improvements of the District's water system. Service for buildings constructed before May 29, 1973 shall be exempt from the basic use charge.

The meeting was closed at 6:15PM.

Respectively submitted Fran Parks