

QUEENSTOWN COMMISSIONERS

March 25, 2020

Special Meeting

A special meeting was held via Zoom conference in the Town Office for the purpose of discussing options for replacing the failing membranes. Participating were President Tom Willis, Commissioner Hogie Schuster, Commissioner Al Hardee, Town Attorney Lyndsey Ryan, Town Manager/Clerk Amy Moore, Town Engineer Bob Rauch, Engineer George Frigon, Joe Vigil and Martin Swanson of Ovivo, Julian Kline and Jon Goodman of Microdyn-Nadir, and Rob Krone of Ovivo.

President Willis called the meeting to order at 10:01 a.m. and turned it over to Julian Kline for a presentation on the proposed replacement membranes.

Mr. Kline reviewed design improvements to the new L-2 membranes, which would replace the L-1's. Improvements include no sides, shock absorbers, clip bars, all of which increase durability. The L-2's are 10x's better in design than the first modules.

Mr. Kline proposed to replace 4 modules with L-2's at no cost to the town. They would extend the warranty to April 30, 2025. It is initially expected to expire January 20, 2022. They would provide an online monitoring tool called Streametric at no cost to the town thru the extended warranty period. After that, there would be an annual fee of approximately \$2,000 (not confirmed) beginning in May 2025. Monitoring can be accessed thru any smart phone once set up.

Mr. Kline advised that the Bio-Cell L-2's have been available for approximately 6 months. Commissioner Hardee requested a list of plants currently using them.

Mr. Kline advised once ordered, they can send out in 2-3 weeks, anticipating arrival here in late May or early June.

Ms. Ryan asked if there were any other options on the table, besides what has been offered. Mr. Kline advised they would also consider annual technical service inspection at no charge.

Mr. George Frigon inquired about another option recently suggested by Ovivo. As Microdyn-Nadir was not familiar with any prior option, they felt that they could not contribute anything further at this time. It was explained that the Town had become frustrated with the failing membranes and had spoken with Ovivo about possibly replacing with another brand or different version. It was agreed that M-N and Ovivo would discuss this matter further between themselves.

Following exit from the Zoom meeting, we conference called with Town Attorney. Ms. Ryan said that if we could get a full 5-year warranty we should go with M-N. We will meet again on March 27, 2020 to finalize details, shipping dates, etc. so the Commissioners can make a decision.

There being no further business, President Willis motioned to adjourn the meeting at 11:15 a.m.
Motion seconded by Commissioner Hardee. Vote: 3-aye, 0-nay.

Respectfully submitted,



Amy W Moore
Town Manager/Clerk