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and invoices for Water Department.

Feedback from Massachusetts Emergency Management Agency had concerns about what was done and what was not done and an additional meeting with MEMA is anticipated.

The water break in question was determined to be a Level 1 and is based on the length of time water is out. The Water Department's emergency plan had been

Bringing in water from outside contractors appeared to be a concern especially for 20 residents without water.

Superintendent Gordon Avery told the board that they would have empty jugs available for residents to fill as long as there is water available from other parts of town. The break had been contained and water was restored to town.

"During the incident," said Letendre, "I don't think it was clear," who was in charge. That individual was Avery, in accordance with the Water Department's emergency plan. Avery followed the plan for notification.

Letendre said she was asking for "clearer and more communication going forward" so that when there is a major break that may mean there is no water for more than 24 hours, "engage the entire emergency management team." According to Letendre, this was not done by the Water Department and going forward, "What can we do better?" She added, "Next time, notify everyone."

Board member Jeff Allen asked Avery why the Fire Department was not immediately notified.

Fire Chief Adam Dolby said there were residents with no potable water and no water to flush toilets.

Water Commissioner Brad Curry asked if the Fire

Department could put the Water Commissioners on the emergency notifications from them.

MEMA was on site but found no one available either the evening of the break or the next morning. "There will be some issue from MEMA when we meet with them," said Letendre.

She also said the town needs to have some supply of drinking water available. Access to a water source needs to be clear, according to Letendre.

From Dolby's perspective, "What cannot happen, right or wrong, there's always been this perception that the Water Department is its own little fiefdom and anyone who tries to tell them there're doing something wrong, everybody gets pissed off," telling the Water Department that that was how they walked into the

"It's easy to get in touch with the Fire Department. Going 24 hours without water is "a long...time" said Dolby. "There has to be better cooperation," he said. The service plazas needed more information.

"The big thing for all of us to take away is to move resources early, and they can be called off," said Dolby. "We have to refocus the plan...make sure the residents are provided for...that aspect is missing," he said.

Allen said, "This has to be a working team."

As a result of the discussion, the Select Board asked that the Water Department meet with them monthly; the entire Emergency Management Team will be brought together with all involved when Dolby has organized a meeting with MEMA. This, according to Letendre and Dolby, will help clear up any confusion going forward.

Letendre added that they hope to build a better relationship with the departments going forward.

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Article 1: Bylaw Section 3: General Use Regulations Table 3.0 Use Regulations, Town of Middlefield, Types of Land Use Standards and Conditions for 3.05,3.052,3.053,3.054,3.055 to add 3.056

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Article 3: Bylaw Section 7 Definitions: Adding definition for Accessory Building, Temporary Structure and Conforming Residence. 05/23. 05/30/2024

LEGAL NOTICE of **PUBLIC MEETING** WILLIAMSBURG CONSERVATION COMMISSION,

Williamsburg, MA 0109

The Williamsburg Conservation Commission, in accordance with MGL Chapter 131, Section 40, the Wetlands Protection Act, will hold a public meeting on: Thursday, June 13, 2024 at 7:00 p.m. at the Williamsburg town offices, 141 Main St, Haydenville, MA to review a Request for Determination of Applicability submitted by: The Town of Whately. The subject area or activity is located at the Town of Whately/Town of Williamsburg Town Line on Haydenville Road and consists of stormwater improvements that will occur within the 100-foot buffer zone to a Bordering Vegetated Wetland. 05/30/2024

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**MassDEP Boston Office 100** Cambridge Street Suite 900 Boston, MA 02114

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Massachusetts Department of Transportation - Highway Division at the above address. attention Courtney Walker or by emailing courtney.l.walker@dot.state.ma.us. Written comments should be sent to Heidi Davis, MassDEP Wetlands Program, 100 Cambridge Street, Suite 900, Boston, MA 02114 or heidi. davis@mass.gov within twenty-one days of this notice.

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