CALL TO ORDER/ROLL CALL
Mayor Moran called the special meeting of the Mansfield Town Council to order at 7:00 p.m. on Zoom. She explained that the meeting was called by Mr. Coleman, Mr. Ausburger and Mr. Fratoni in accordance with the Council’s Rules of Procedure. A public hearing will be held regarding the use of ARPA funds on Monday, March 14, 2022.

Present: Ausburger, Berthelot, Bruder, Coleman, Fratoni, Kochenburger, Moran, Schurin, Shaiken

PUBLIC COMMENT
None.

OLD BUSINESS
1. American Rescue Plan Act (ARPA) Funding/Investment Deliberation (Item #7D, 02.28.22 Agenda)
   Mr. Coleman stated that he believes his membership on the Mansfield Downtown Partnership (MDP) Board of Directors is a conflict of interest and he will recuse himself from any discussion involving the MDP.
   Mr. Aylesworth briefly reviewed the existing options for ARPA-funded projects.
   At the request of Mayor Moran, Mr. Coleman explained that he called the special meeting to discuss the proposals line by line. Mayor Moran denied the request for line by line review absent the input from the public regarding which projects they want to see completed.
   Mr. Coleman stated his intent to discuss the Mansfield Middle School water project.
   In response to Council inquiry, Attorney Deneen confirmed that when a document is shared during a Council meeting it ought to be filed with the Town Clerk.
   Mr. Aylesworth, Superintendent Kelly Lyman, and Allen Corson, Facilities Director, discussed the potential MMS water project and answered Councilor questions.
   Mayor Moran asked that the document presented by Mr. Coleman be included in the next Council packet and any further questions be provided to staff so they have time to prepare the information responsive to the inquiries.

ADJOURNMENT
Seeing no new information on the potential projects and no further questions, Mr. Shaiken moved and Ms. Berthelot seconded to adjourn the meeting at 7:59 p.m.
In support of his motion, Mr. Shaiken stated that the Council wants public input regarding preferred projects before requesting staff to research and prepare further project details.
Mr. Coleman opposed the motion to adjourn and stated there is a great deal of work to do. The motion passed with all in favor except Mr. Coleman who voted against.
Remove this request in its entirety. Funding for the removal of lead-based plumbing would be acceptable.

My findings support this.

There are three wells on the property, 11,000 gallons of water storage (not counting well reserves) on site. Production and quantity are adequate to service the needs of the school.

One well is contaminated with coliform bacteria and is isolated from the other two wells supplying the school. For a well to get contaminated with coliform bacteria (decaying organic matter) surface water must be getting into the drilled portion of the well. During the drilling process, steel casing is set to the bedrock. The casing is supposed to shut out surface water so that ground contaminants cannot get into the drinking supply. According to the completion reports there is approximately twenty feet of casing in each well.

Attached to the casing there is a drive shoe, this is designed to seal the well from surface water contamination. It is likely that the contamination is getting in because the casing isn't set in the bedrock.

There are several approaches to mitigating this problem and funding should be provided to do so.

- **Seal and grout the polluted well to seal off surface contaminants.**
- **If production is adequate from the other two wells abandon the polluted well. The old well will need to be cemented and sealed off.**
- **Abandon the polluted well and drill a new well.**

The seal and grout option should be tried first, for the time being the polluted well is isolated and there isn't any coliform bacteria contamination in the other two wells. Mitigating the polluted well should be done as soon as possible so that the other two wells don't become polluted as well.

**At present the water quality is good.**
• The PH is 7.44 a level that will not corrode pipes and release metals into the drinking water supply.

• There isn't any major staining to fixtures in the building indicating the lack of metals in the water.

• There isn't any odor to the water.

• I tasted the water and tasted fine. There isn't any after taste of iron.

Security concerns for MMS drinking water supply.

• Install locking caps on all well heads.
• Install locking enclosures around each well head.
• Install motion activated security cameras.

_Brian Coleman worked a number of years drilling wells and installing water systems in Eastern Connecticut._