

BFD BOARD OF WATER COMMISSIONERS MEETING MINUTES

June 19, 2018 AT THE WATER DEPARTMENT OFFICE.

PRESENT WERE: Board of Water Commissioners: Chairman David Jones and Commissioner Bassett, and Commissioner Whitmore. Also present: Superintendent Thomas Rooney.

- Meeting called to order at 2:32 P.M.
- Warrants and payrolls signed.
- Collectors End of Month Report reviewed and signed
- Superintendent's Projects Report reviewed

Chairman Jones asked for a motion to accept the previous Meeting Minutes. Commissioner Whitmore **motioned** to accept the Meeting Minutes from April 10, 2018, **seconded** by Chairman Jones. The **motion passed unanimously.**

Capital Improvement Projects

Superintendent Rooney introduced Patrick O'Neale P.E, Senior Vice President of Tata and Howard Engineers. Mr. O'Neale will be providing engineering services for the Gate Valve Replacement Project in Barnstable Village, planned for the fall. Senior Operator Ronald Tivey joined the Meeting to discuss the road layout changes planned by the Town of Barnstable for the center of Barnstable Village. The Board discussed the possibility of replacing or relining the water mains in the area of the road work with Mr. O'Neale. Mr. O'Neale discussed the large number of underground Utilities that would be influenced by a water main replacement. Superintendent Rooney informed the Board that the sections of water services in the Village from the Main to sideline were replaced in 1977 during the last roadway improvement project. Mr. Rooney also discussed the existing debt from past and current projects. Mr. Rooney informed the Board that the monies Department's Stabilization Account may be needed to make the first Bond payment in FY-19. Mr. O'Neale estimated that the cost of water main replacement would be approximately \$200.00 dollars per foot. The distance to be replaced is 1600 linear feet making the base estimate \$320,000.00 dollars. Superintendent Rooney stated his opinion that he would estimate \$550,000.00 dollars. The Board decided not to move forward with a main replacement or relining project. Commissioner Whitmore **motioned** to approve a contract with Tata and Howard to provided engineering services for the Water Main Gate Replacement project, **seconded** by Commissioner Bassett. The **motion passed unanimously.**

FY-18 Fiscal Year Budget Review

Superintendent Rooney informed the Board that the Water Department would not reach the revenue estimate provided to the Treasurer due to the previous summer's Outdoor Water Restrictions. He informed the Board that a portion of Department's Operations Budget would be needed to make up the shortfall. The Board discussed allocations for the remaining funds.

Water Quality

Superintendent Rooney informed the Board that the standards for the Maximum Contaminant Levels for fluorinated organic chemicals are being lowered. Fluorinated organic chemicals (Pfos and Pfoa etc.) are found in consumer products, and are listed a contaminant of Emerging Concern. He went on to say that past sample results for the District have been low, but they will need to be monitored. The Board instructed the Superintendent to continue taking additional samples to monitor the levels.

Water Department Rules and Regulations

Superintendent Rooney informed the Board that the Department's "Two User Policy" was questioned by a District resident. He reviewed the policy as written and discussed the application of policy with the Board members. Mr. Rooney informed the board that the current policy was enacted July 6, 1999.

Abatement Requests

Superintendent Rooney presented a request by the owner of the residence at 4039 Main Street to have the Two User Fee removed from her account, and to be reimbursed for past charges for a Two User Fee which she feels was incorrectly assessed to her account. The Board voted to reclassify the account based upon an inspection of the property by the Water Department, and the Board voted to refund the Two User fees paid in Fy-18.

Superintendent Rooney presented additional information, previously requested by the Board, for an Abatement request for 45 Freezer Road. Mr. Rooney suggested charging for the water use at the lowest rate. After a review of the circumstances of the request, Commissioner Whitmore **motioned** to reduce the usage charge to the lowest rate, **seconded** by Commissioner Bassett. The **motion passed unanimously.**

Superintendent Rooney presented an Abatement Request from 99 Boulder Road. The Board reviewed the request and Commissioner Whitmore **motioned** to reduce the usage charge to the lowest rate, **seconded** by Chairman Jones. The **motion passed unanimously.**

Optional Meter Request

The Board reviewed an Optional Meter Request from 1763 Hyannis Road. The request was approved by the Board.

Matters not reasonably anticipated by the Chair

There being no further business, Chairman Jones asked for a motion to adjourn the meeting. Commissioner Whitmore **motioned** to adjourn the meeting, **seconded** by Commissioner Bassett. The **motion passed unanimously.** The meeting adjourned at 4:00 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,
Thomas Rooney