



# BARNSTABLE FIRE DISTRICT

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The Prudential Committee is looking for a Fire District resident who is interested in filling a vacancy on the Board of Water Commissioners. Information about the job description is available in the Fire District By-Laws posted on our website.

Interested parties should submit a letter of interest with a brief background history addressed to the Prudential Committee no later than 4:00p.m. on Tuesday August 12, 2025 or email Chairman, Bill Jones at [wjones@barnstablefiredistrict.com](mailto:wjones@barnstablefiredistrict.com).

For more information you can contact the Barnstable Fire District Water Department at 508-362-6498.

## **WATER DEPARTMENT Article XVI. Board of Water Commissioners**

### **Section A. Authority and Duties**

1. The Board of Water Commissioners shall supervise the operation of the Water Department according to the authority of the District's special legislation and in compliance with the General Laws and applicable regulations, and it shall record the doings of the Water Department in the District's annual report.
2. The Board of Water Commissioners shall be responsible for maintenance of all pumping stations, mains, piping, tanks and other equipment of the Water Department, together with maintenance of the District building at 1841 Phinney's Lane.
3. The Board of Water Commissioners shall employ a Water Superintendent licensed in accordance with Chapter 310 CMR Section 22.11B. The Board shall also employ a Collector Clerk and all other department personnel as needed and shall determine the wages and work schedules of such employees. The records of the Water Department shall be maintained by the Collector Clerk and kept available at the District office at 1841 Phinney's Lane, Barnstable Village, for examination at all reasonable times by District voters.
4. The Board of Water Commissioners shall by regulation establish just and equitable rates for the use of water and for water-service installation, and shall prescribe the time and manner of payment of same. The amounts of such rates shall be fixed in compliance with 12 Section 5H of the District's special legislation to defray the operating expenses of the Water Department and interest charges and payments on the principal of any District bonds or notes issued in compliance with the District's special legislation to pay for additions and improvements to the District's waterworks. Any surplus remaining after providing for the aforesaid expenses, charges and payments shall be used to reduce the water rates proportionately.
5. The Board of Water Commissioners shall negotiate contracts for engineering assistance, the laying of water mains and their appurtenances, the installation of pumping equipment, and the erection of building, tanks and other facilities for the operation of the Water Department in accordance with paragraph 1 of this section.

### **Section B. Rules and Regulations**

The Board of Water Commissioners may adopt rules and regulations relative to the administration of the Water Department's operations, provision of services and charges therefore, including but not limited to: location and installation of water services, fireservice lines, and water meters; and addition to, extension of and relocation of water mains; testing of cross connections, use of curb stop, seasonal water service, and fire hydrants and fire hydrant meter rental.

### **Section C. Meetings**

A regular monthly meeting of the Board of Water Commissioners for the transaction of current business shall be held in compliance with MGL c. 30A, s. 20. Meetings of the Board of Water Commissioners shall be open to District voters, provided that the Board of Water Commissioners may adjourn to executive session as permitted by law. Nothing in this section shall be construed to prevent the Board of Water Commissioners from holding special meetings as it may deem necessary, provided that notice of any such special meeting is duly provided and posted as aforesaid.