

**MINUTES
HARWICH WATER DEPARTMENT
BOARD OF WATER COMMISSIONERS
WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 19, 2020
REGULAR SESSION
8:20 A.M.**

WATER COMMISSIONER'S PRESENT: Chair Allin Thompson, Vice Chair Judith Underwood, Clerk Gary Carreiro

OTHERS PRESENT: Superintendent Dan Pelletier, Comptroller Sandra Sieger, Billing Administrator Wellesley Marsh, Board Secretary Tracey Alves

CALL TO ORDER

Chair Thompson called the meeting to order at 8:21 a.m.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

Pursuant to M.G.L. c. 30A, §21(a)(3), to discuss strategy with respect to collective bargaining or litigation if an open meeting may have a detrimental effect on the bargaining or litigating position of the public body and the Chair so declares; Harwich Employees Association Grievance

CONSENT AGENDA

A. Minutes:

1. January 10, 2020- *Sign as Amended*
2. February 5, 2020

Clerk Carreiro motioned to approve the Consent Agenda. Vice Chair Underwood seconded the motion, all in favor; 3-0-0.

ABATEMENTS

A. FY20 Q2 Water Department Usage; \$1,657.52

Vice Chair Underwood moved to approved the FY20 Q2 Water Department Usage in the amount of \$1,657.52. Clerk Carreiro seconded the motion; 3-0-0.

B. FY20 Water Department Account 9729; \$4,072.56

Vice Chair Underwood moved to approved the FY20 Water Department Account 9729 in the amount of \$4,072.56. Clerk Carreiro seconded the motion; 3-0-0.

OLD UNFINISHED BUSINESS

A. Rules & Regulations- *Review Sections 7 & 8*

The Board reviewed sections 7 & 8 of the Rules and Regulations and approved edits as necessary. Sections 9 & 10 will be reviewed at the next meeting to include the topic of Irrigation Policy.

B. Water Rates- *Discussion*

Discussion regarding water rates will be tabled until the next meeting.

C. Cemetery Property

Discussion took place regarding the possibility of the cemetery property being used for the new location of the Water Department in the future.

D. Solar Revenue

The topic of solar revenue was discussed. The Board would like to meet with Liz Argo of CVEC and Selectman Michael MacAskill to renegotiate.

E. Mass DEP Sanitary Survey

The DEP's Sanitary Survey Report on the Water Department is great! This stemmed from their visit to Harwich on December 18, 2019 to perform their sanitary survey on the Water Department's facilities.

NEW BUSINESS

A. FY21 Wastewater Budget- *Discussion*

The Robert B. Our Co. will be finished with their sewer work by late September/early October and done with the Chatham contract prior.

An order to connect will be released in the fall of 2020 ordering homeowners to hook-up within 2 years.

Once Robert B. Our Co. is done with their contract the warranties will start on the pumps, generators, etc. and this could happen as early as October.

Some residents may be eager to hook-up this fall!

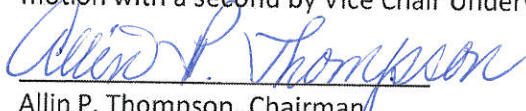
The Board of Selectmen need to discuss rates, flow, employees, etc. as well as the difficulties that have risen in East Harwich.

NEXT MEETING

The next Board meeting will be held on Friday, March 6, 2020 at 7:00 a.m.

ADJOURNMENT

Chair Thompson entertained a motion to adjourn at 10:42 a.m. Clerk Carreiro moved the motion with a second by Vice Chair Underwood, all in favor; 3-0-0.



Allin P. Thompson, Chairman

Dan Pelletier, Superintendent

Judith Underwood, Vice Chair

Tracey Alves, Board Secretary

Gary Carreiro, Clerk