

Board of Water Commissioners

Minutes 11/20/2012

Harwich Water Department
BOARD OF WATER COMMISSIONERS
Meeting on November 20, 2012

Present: Chairman Donald Bates, Vice Chairman Allin Thompson, Clerk Danette Gonsalves, Superintendent Craig Wiegand, Secretary Alexandra Bilek

Chairman Donald Bates called the meeting to order at 8:15 a.m.

The minutes for the previous meeting held on November 20, 2012 were approved with a motion by Clerk Gonsalves and seconded by Vice Chairman Thompson; 3-0-0.

Vice Chairman Thompson moved to remove 70 Deep Hole Rd from the consent agenda for discussion with a second from Clerk Gonsalves; 3-0-0.

Consent Agenda:

- 14 Whidah Drive
- 4 Salt River Lane
- 25 Lakeway Lane
- 45 Old County Road

Vice Chairman Thompson moved to deny the Consent Agenda with a second by Clerk Gonsalves; 3-0-0.

The Board reviewed the abatement request from John Walker of 70 Deep Hole Rd in regard to a late fee. Upon review and discussion Vice Chairman Thompson moved to approve the abatement request with a second by Chairman Bates; 3-0-0.

The Board discussed extending the water main on Oak Street at John Pina's request. Vice Chairman Thompson moved to extend a 2 inch water main to the farthest point of John Pina's property on Oak Street at the customer's cost with a second by Clerk Gonsalves; 3-0-0.

Superintendent Wiegand said he received the legal opinion from Town Counsel in regard to the AT&T cell tower. He said nothing is going to happen until Town Meeting. Mr. Wiegand suggested drafting an RFP for Town Meeting. He said this will give us time to determine the logistics.

Mr. Wiegand told the Board that a copy of the Laborers' Union Contract has been included in their packets for review. He said he would like to set up a workshop to go over it with them. Mr. Wiegand told the Board that the Department does not take part in negotiating the Administrative Staff's contract.

Clerk Gonsalves asked the Superintendent what his thoughts about water recharge are in regard to sending wastewater to Chatham. Mr. Wiegand said the recharge should come back to Harwich because it will lower Harwich's aquifer and create mounding in Chatham. He said he would like to sell the returned grey water for irrigation.

The Board will meet again on Tuesday, December 4, 2012.

The meeting was adjourned at 9:00 a.m. with a motion by Chairman Bates and a second by Vice Chairman Thompson; 3-0-0.

Respectfully submitted,

Donald T. Bates, Chairman

Craig Wiegand, Superintendent

Allin P. Thompson, Vice Chairman

Alexandra Bilek, Secretary

Danette Gonsalves, Clerk