#### **MINUTES**

# HARWICH WATER DEPARTMENT BOARD OF WATER/WASTEWATER COMMISSIONERS WEDNESDAY, MAY 11, 2022 1:00 P.M.

WATER COMMISSIONER'S PRESENT: Chair Gary Carreiro, Vice Chair Allin Thompson, Clerk Noreen Donahue, Commissioner Judith Underwood, Commissioner John Gough

**OTHERS PRESENT:** Superintendent Dan Pelletier, Comptroller Sandra Sieger, Billing Administrator Wellesley Marsh, Administrative Assistant Tracey Alves

# **CALL TO ORDER**

Chair Carreiro called the meeting to order 1:00 p.m. and took a roll call vote. Vice Chair Allin Thompson, Commissioner John Gough, Commissioner Judith Underwood (via telephone), Clerk Noreen Donahue and Chair Gary Carreiro were all present; 5-0-0.

# **CONSENT AGENDA**

- A. Minutes
  - 1. April 7, 2022

Chair Carreiro entertained a motion to approve the Consent Agenda containing the Minutes of April 7, 2022. Vice Chair Thompson motioned to approve the Consent Agenda with a second by Commissioner John Gough. A vote by role call was taken. Vice Chair Allin Thompson, Commissioner John Gough, Clerk Noreen Donahue, Commissioner Judith Underwood and Chair Gary Carreiro were all in favor; 5-0-0.

# **NEW BUSINESS**

#### A. Water Restrictions

Superintendent Pelletier informed the Board that the aquifer is still just about where it was at last year at this same time. The Board imposed the odd/even watering restrictions last year and they were not lifted in the fall. We are looking to either reaffirm, change or consider other options as we move into our pumping season. Our neighboring communities of Dennis and Brewster are continuing with odd and even, Orleans is doing two days a week and at this point Chatham is doing no outdoor watering which is tied to mechanical issues and not the aquifer.

The Board was in favor of allowing irrigation watering on Monday, Wednesday and Friday between 4am-8am and 5pm-9pm and hand watering any day and anytime as necessary.

Clerk Donahue moved to amend the water restrictions to be 3 days a week, Monday, Wednesday and Friday for irrigation users, 4am-8am and 5pm -9pm only and that hand watering can be done as needed. Vice Chair Thompson seconded the motion. A roll call

vote was taken. Vice Chair Allin Thompson, Commissioner John Gough, Clerk Noreen Donahue, Commissioner Judith Underwood and Chair Gary Carreiro were all in favor; 5-0-0.

# B. Effluent Site Investigation

The Board reviewed an agreement between GHD and the Town of Harwich to perform effluent recharge site investigation. The investigation will determine the capacity of the recharge sites themselves. The DPW site, an owner's unknown site adjacent to DPW and another site across the highway from DPW were a few sites of interest. The scope of work is to investigate 5 sites. The sites under investigation will be strictly for effluent recharge.

Vice Chair Thompson moved to approve the contract with GHD to evaluate sites for recharge. Clerk Donahue seconded the motion. A role call vote was taken. Vice Chair Allin Thompson, Commissioner John Gough, Clerk Noreen Donahue, Commissioner Judith Underwood and Chair Gary Carreiro were all in favor; 5-0-0.

#### SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT

Superintendent Pelletier thanked the Water & Wastewater Commission, Water Department Staff, residents and everyone involved for the 2022 Public Water System Award!

# **NEXT MEETING**

The next Board meeting will be held tentatively on Thursday, May 26, 2022 at 11:00 a.m.

# **ADJOURNMENT**

Chair Carreiro motioned to adjourn at 1:35 pm. Vice Chair Thompson seconded the motion. A role call vote was taken. Vice Chair Allin Thompson, Commissioner John Gough, Clerk Noreen Donahue, Commissioner Judith Underwood and Chair Gary Carreiro were all in favor; 5-0-0.

Gary Carreiro, Chairman

Allin P. Thompson, Vice Chair

Tracey Alves, Board Secretary

Dan Pelletier, Superintendent

Noreen Donahue, Clerk

Judith Underwood

John Gough