

MINUTES
HARWICH WATER DEPARTMENT
BOARD OF WATER/WASTEWATER COMMISSIONERS
Wednesday, December 14, 2022
11:30 a.m.

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

OTHERS PRESENT: Superintendent Dan Pelletier, Administrative Assistant Tracey Alves

CALL TO ORDER

Chair Carreiro called the meeting to order at 11:34 a.m.

CONSENT AGENDA

- A. Minutes
 - 1. November 30, 2022

The Consent Agenda will hold off until the next meeting.

OLD/UNFINISHED BUSINESS

- A. Water Restrictions ByLaw

Superintendent Pelletier provided the Board with an update on water restrictions.

Cape Cod & the Islands are still presently at a level 2 drought. We are trending upwards but well below where we were last year and certainly below historic median for this time of the year.

We had met with attorney Giorgio and he was going to be preparing draft language for a special legislation for a home-rule petition article to adopt water restriction bylaws that allow us to assess violation fines to water user accounts.

Where that is a multi-year process likely, we were also looking to update current/existing violation and penalties section of the bylaw to be more reflective and consistent with what is in our Rules & Regulations.

This would be looking to amend the existing language which says, no fine, written warning is first offense, \$50 first violation and \$100 for second and subsequent. We are linking that up with our Rules & Regulations which is no fine, written warning first offense, \$100 second offense and \$300 for third violation and subsequent.

- B. Well Rehab Update

Superintendent Pelletier provided the Board with a well rehab update.

Well M2 has had a new motor installed. It will be flushed and tested before being brought on-line. Well 4 is being cleaned and will need the pump and motor installed. Superintendent

Pelletier has signed the contract for the vertical turbine engine for Well 7 and work on this should begin soon.

NEW BUSINESS

A. DEP Sanitary Survey

Superintendent Pelletier updated the Board of the outcome of the DEP Sanitary Survey report. There were a few recommendations made and overall DEP had a lot of positive and nice paragraphs throughout the report.

B. Glyphosate Study

Superintendent Pelletier has volunteered to have a glyphosates study done on Harwich water. The first round of testing has been done and we are still awaiting the results.

SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT

Superintendent Pelletier did submit the comments on the Watershed Permit and Title V Regulations. The BOS reviewed and gave their blessing on the final draft. Superintendent Pelletier had previously submitted the Water Management Act comments and is just gearing up for another year.

COMMISSIONERS REPORT

Clerk Donahue relayed that whenever the budget needs to be submitted just do it. Superintendent Pelletier commented that if the Board wants to change the Budget after the fact they are able to.

MMA is January 19, 20 and 21st.

NEXT MEETING

The next Board meeting will be held on Wednesday, January 18, 2023 at 11:30am.

ADJOURNMENT

Chair Carreiro motioned to adjourn at 12:10 p.m. Vice Chair Thompson moved the motion and Commissioner Underwood seconded. All in favor; 4-0-0.



Gary Carreiro, Chairman

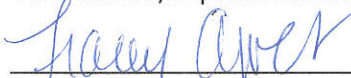


Allin P. Thompson, Vice Chair



Noreen Donahue, Clerk

Dan Pelletier, Superintendent



Tracey Alves, Board Secretary

Judith Underwood



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