

Harwich Water Department  
BOARD OF WATER COMMISSIONERS  
Wednesday, July 19, 2017, 7:00 a.m.

Present: Chair Gary Carreiro, Vice Chair Allin Thompson, Clerk Danette Gonsalves, Superintendent Dan Pelletier, Comptroller Sandra Sieger, Sr. Billing Administrator Wellesley Marsh, Board Secretary Tracey Alves

Chair Carreiro called the meeting to order at 7:02 a.m.

Chair Carreiro entertained a motion to approve the consent agenda which included the minutes of May 31<sup>st</sup>, 2017 and the FY17 4<sup>th</sup> Quarter Internal Adjustments. Vice Chair Thompson moved to approve the motion with a second by Clerk Gonsalves, motion carried; 3-0-0.

The Board reviewed an abatement request for 158 Riverside Drive. Vice Chair Thompson moved to deny the request with a second by Clerk Gonsalves seconded; 3-0-0.

The Board reviewed a draft of the interconnection agreement that was drawn up for Chatham. A couple of minor edits will be made to the agreement to make it suitable for not only Chatham but other neighboring towns as well.

The Board reviewed a comment that was submitted regarding WMA permitting.

The new Lothrop water tank is running great. The project is almost 100% complete.

The Board reviewed the 30 year capital plan. The topic will remain on the agenda for the next meeting.

The topic of Rates & Fees was discussed. Due to water meter prices going up, a public hearing will need to be held in the near future. This topic will remain on the agenda.

A Site Acquisition Specialist from TRM contacted Superintendent Pelletier regarding potentially installing a Verizon cell tower on land out back of the Water Department. The Board recommended moving forward with the proposal.

Suez, formerly known as Utility Services will be providing Superintendent Pelletier with a quote to perform detailing to the Route 39 water tank. Once the quote is obtained the figures will be brought forth to the Board.

Sr. Billing Administrator Marsh provided the Board with a billing update.

Comptroller Sieger provided the Board with a FY17 budget update.

Ferguson Waterworks won the supplies bid. Vice Chair Thompson motioned to award the supplies bid to Ferguson Waterworks. Chair Carreiro moved to approve the motion with a second by Clerk Gonsalves; 3-0-0.

The Board discussed the topic of Eversource and their use of herbicide spraying along power line rights-of-ways throughout Harwich. The Board was in agreement that this method of spraying herbicides throughout Harwich should be banned.


The Board will meet again on Wednesday, August 2<sup>nd</sup>, 2017.

Chair Carreiro entertained a motion to adjourn at 8:31 a.m. Vice Chair Thompson moved to approve the motion with a second by Clerk Gonsalves, motion carried; 3-0-0.

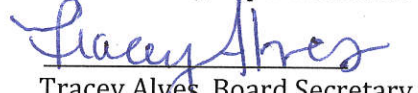
Respectfully submitted,

  
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Gary Carreiro, Chairman

  
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Allin P. Thompson, Vice Chair

  
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Danette Gonsalves, Clerk

  
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Dan Pelletier, Superintendent

  
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Tracey Alves, Board Secretary