

Harwich Water Department
BOARD OF WATER COMMISSIONERS
Friday, April 20, 2018, 7:00 a.m.

Present: Chair Gary Carreiro, Vice Chair Allin Thompson, Clerk Judith Underwood, Superintendent Dan Pelletier, Comptroller Sandra Sieger, Sr. Billing Administrator Wellesley Marsh, Board Secretary Tracey Alves, Dana Milan, Jamie Lee Goodwin, John Schrader P.E.

Chair Carreiro called the meeting to order at 7:15 a.m.

Harwich Water Department Quarterly Billing proposed water rates and structure were reviewed and discussed. The proposed water rates are not increasing, they are being divided. The proposed structure will allow for the Water Department to bill four (4) times per year instead of two (2). This newly proposed rate structure for Quarterly Billing will be beneficial to the consumer for various reasons but especially because it will help consumers to recognize a leak in a more timely fashion which will in turn allow for more water to be conserved.

Please See Attached Proposed Quarterly Billing Rate Structure Document.

Chair Carreiro made a motion to adopt the proposed water rates and structure set forth for Quarterly Billing. Vice Chair Thompson moved the motion with a second by Clerk Underwood; 3-0-0.

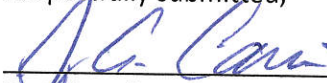
Tighe & Bond's consultant Michael Schrader P.E. made an impressive presentation regarding the Harwich Water Department's peer water rate review study that his company did.

Superintendent Pelletier announced that the Harwich Water Department was awarded the 2015/16/17 Public Water Suppliers award from Mass DEP. This year the award is slightly different as the Harwich Water Department is being recognized for having won the award 3 years in a row!

The Board will meet again on Friday, May 4, 2018 in the Griffin Room at the Town Hall. A public hearing will take place at 7:30 a.m. regarding the proposed Quarterly Billing.

Chair Carreiro entertained a motion to adjourn at 8:28 a.m. Vice Chair Thompson moved to approve the motion with a second by Clerk Underwood; 3-0-0.

Respectfully submitted,



Gary Carreiro, Chairman



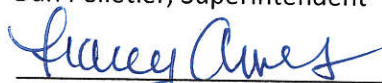
Allin P. Thompson, Vice Chair



Clerk, Judith Underwood



Dan Pelletier, Superintendent



Tracey Alves, Board Secretary

**PROPOSED QUARTERLY BILLING
TOWN OF HARWICH**

The Harwich Board of Water Commissioners will be holding a public hearing on Friday, May 4, 2018, at 7:30 a.m. at the Harwich Town Hall, Griffin Room, 732 Main Street, Harwich, MA 02645. The purpose of the hearing is to receive public input regarding proposed quarterly billing established by the Board of Water Commissioners.

Proposed QUARTERLY Billing Rate Structure		
	Gallons	Rate/1000
Base Rate	-	\$35
Tier 1	1,000-8,000	\$1.29
Tier 2	8,001-15,000	\$2.65
Tier 3	15,001-40,000	\$3.95
Tier 4	40,001+	\$5.72

Proposed QUARTERLY Billing for Recurring Services	
Commercial Fire Sprinkler	\$65
Residential Fire Sprinkler	\$40
Water Service Tight Plan	\$17
Late Fee	\$25

Proposed QUARTERLY Billing Cycles	
Cycle	Usage Period
Billing 1	July, August, September
Billing 2	October, November, December
Billing 3	January, February, March
Billing 4	April, May, June

Rates and fees not listed in this legal notice remain unchanged. The first quarterly bill would be issued July 16th 2018. The July 2018 bill issued under the new rate structure will be for water consumption only for usage from your last water bill through the end of June.

All interested parties are invited to attend. Written comments should be received by the Board of Water Commissioners on or before Noon on May 2, 2018.

Harwich Board of Water Commissioners
 Gary Carreiro, Chairman
 Allin Thompson, Vice Chairman
 Judith Underwood, Clerk