



BOARD OF WATER COMMISSIONERS

Cotuit Fire District
Water Department

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02/15/2017

The monthly meeting of the Board of Water Commissioners was held at Freedom Hall at 6:00 p.m. Chairman Ted Barnicle, Commissioner Don Campbell and Commissioner Vic Mastro were present as was Superintendent, Chris Wiseman and the district's attorney, Mark Boudreau.

Also in attendance was Russ Kleekamp from GHD Engineering, Bert Stern from Tower North Development, Dick Duddy from Sprint; Chris Hesse from US Wireless joined the meeting late.

The meeting was called to order at 6:00 p.m and was opened to public comment. Bert Stern from Tower North stated that he was attending to gain an understanding of where the district was with the Cell Tower Development Project. Chairman Barnicle advised Mr. Stern that they would be hearing from US Wireless at the meeting and would take all of the information under advisement, but it would likely not be acted upon at the meeting pending legal review of the information.

The 01/18/2017 regular meeting minutes were approved as were the minutes from the 02/01/2017 special meeting.

Russ Kleekamp gave an update on the open GHD Projects. They are working with Open Cape and Comm Tract to finalize dates and scheduling for the Fiber Optic and Security System project. He also advised the board that the reports have been received from Tata & Howard and from the Town of Barnstable regarding the structural integrity of the Main Street Tank. Both advise that the tower is structurally unsound and needs to be demolished immediately. The contractor has given us a demolition date of March 06, 2017 and asked Mr. Boudreau to notify the antenna owners accordingly. All equipment is to be removed prior to demolition or it will come down with the tank.

Chairman Barnicle advised the commissioners that the rate survey information has been sent to the Chairwoman of the Prudential Committee and that he would be attending their February meeting to discuss the proposal.

Commissioner Mastro and Superintendent Wiseman reviewed the recommendations from Phil Benjamin, Forrester, for the parcels that were part of the Stewardship program. The commissioners will review the reports and discuss again at the next meeting.

The commissioners reviewed an update from Zak Farkas regarding Borrego Solar's meeting with the Planning board. The board voted unanimously to recommend amending the Overlay Map for the Cotuit Fire District and the recommendation will be taken to Town Council at the meeting on March 2nd. The commissioners discussed getting together to walk the site and review the layout of the array based on the surveyed area.

Mr. Wiseman reviewed the water quality testing results for the month of January. All tests were within normal limits. We have submitted for a waiver of some of our quarterly testing and are awaiting a decision from

MassDEP. Quarterly samples will be completed in March is we do not have a decision before then.

Monthly Pumpage Results is as follows:

	<u>2017</u>	<u>2016</u>	<u>+/-</u>
January	8,696,000	8,243,000*	+453,000*

*Pumpage was incorrectly reported as 8,775,000 at the meeting, and the variance was not calculated - this has been corrected for the written minutes.

There were 0 replacement services and 4 new services in January.

The commissioners reviewed the draft of the FY18 Water Department Budget and had some preliminary discussions about the Chemical Safety Upgrades and tank cleaning that will need to happen in the next fiscal year.

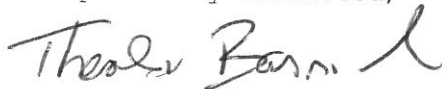
The warrants were signed.

The next meeting was set for Wednesday, March 15th at 6:00pm at Freedom Hall.

Mr. Hesse of US Wireless arrived, handed out a site plan and asked if there had been further discussion on the lease and exhibits. Chairman Barnicle advised Mr. Hesse that it was still under legal review and that no decisions would be made at the meeting. He noted that our legal counsel (Rick Mann) would be in touch with Vertical Bridge's legal staff (Tim) in the next few days.

The meeting adjourned at 7:07 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,



Theodore Barnicle, Chairman

Cc: Prudential Committee