

**BOARD OF DIRECTORS
OF THE BRISTOL COUNTY WATER AUTHORITY**

Minutes of the Annual Meeting

Thursday, May 31, 2007

Council Chambers, Barrington Town Hall, Barrington, RI

Pursuant to proper notice, the annual meeting of the Board of Directors of the Bristol County Water Authority was called to order by Acting Chairman Jannitto on this date at 6:00 pm in the Council Chambers, Barrington Town Hall, Barrington, Rhode Island. Executive Director Pasquale DeLise, and the following Directors were in attendance at the commencement of the meeting.

William Gosselin, John Jannitto, Allan Klepper, Ian Morrison, Joseph Rego, John Saviano, Frank Sylvia, John Veader

2007 RI State Science Fair, BCWA Water Conservation Poster & Essay Contest

Acting Chairman John Jannitto thanked contest winners and families/friends for coming to the award presentation, and thanked the winners parents for encouraging their children to participate.

Acting Chairman Jannitto introduced Director Ian Morrison who presented the State Science Fair Awards. Director Morrison thanked BCWA Engineering Technician Ms. Susan Andrade for her support and help in judging the water-related projects.

Acting Chairman Jannitto introduced Director John Veader who presented the Essay Contest Awards.

Acting Chairman Jannitto presented the Poster Contest Awards. Acting Chairman Jannitto acknowledged Ms. Susan Andrade and BCWA Executive Administrative Assistant Ms. Cidalia Harper for their work with the Poster and Essay Contest.

Director John McElroy entered the meeting at 6:25 pm.

1. Election of a Chairman of the Board of Directors of the Authority.

Director John Saviano made the following motion:

MOTION: Nominate Allan Klepper for the position of Chairman of the Board.

Director Frank Sylvia made the following motion:

MOTION: Nominate John Jannitto for the position of Chairman of the Board.

Director Sylvia stated that Acting Chairman Jannitto brings a calmness and maturity to the Board. He knows how to move an agenda forward and “I am very confident in the direction that we are going”, he said.

Director Saviano stated that Director Klepper has been on the Board for 18 years, is an elected official in the Town of Barrington and now that he is retired he has the opportunity of being Chairman. Director Klepper has been Vice Chairman and Committee Chairman.

Director Morrison stated that Director Klepper deserves to be Chairman. Director Klepper can hold a group together.

Director Saviano stated that Acting Chairman Jannitto has been on the Board for only 2 years. Director Klepper knows the employees and the BCWA System and knows all of the political contacts.

Director Sylvia stated that the Democrats are in power now. Director Saviano stated for the last 20 years we have always had the full cooperation of all local politicians.

Director Veader stated that the RI General Assembly has supported BCWA for the past few months. BCWA needs someone to come in and smooth the waters. I will support Acting Chairman Jannitto.

Director McElroy stated that he appreciates a chairman of a

committee who is in control with his tone. I feel very comfortable as a new member. I will support Acting Chairman Jannitto.

Director Gosselin stated that Director Klepper has served the Board for 18 years. I will support Director Klepper.

Motion for Director Allan Klepper as Chairman failed 4 – 5. Voting Aye Directors Saviano, Gosselin, Morrison and Klepper. Voting Nay Acting Chairman Jannitto, Directors McElroy, Rego, Veader and Sylvia.

Motion for Acting Chairman Jannitto as Chairman failed 5 - 4. Voting Aye Acting Chairman Jannitto, Directors McElroy, Veader, Sylvia and Rego. Voting Nay – Directors Saviano, Gosselin, Morrison and Klepper.

Director Veader stated that the Annual Meeting will remain on the agenda.

2. Election of Secretary of the Authority. Director Rego nominated John McElroy:

VOTED: That Director John McElroy be, and hereby is, elected Secretary of the Authority to serve in accordance with the By-laws of the Authority.

Motion passed 8 - 1. Director Morrison voted Nay.

3. Adoption of the Annual Report.

Director Rego made the following motion

MOTION: That the Annual Report in the form presented at the meeting be, and the same hereby is, accepted; and that in accordance with the Bristol County Water Authority enabling legislation, the Executive Director is hereby authorized to mail a copy of the Annual Report to all members of the Town Councils of Barrington, Bristol and Warren.

Director Morrison seconded the motion.

The Chair recognized Manager of MIS and Accounting Mr. Webster Goodwin. Mr. Goodwin asked the Board to note in the Annual Report 'Annual Pension Cost and Net Pension Obligation, was underfunded by \$103,861, a liability reflected on our financial statements.

Motion passed unanimously.

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 6:50 pm.

John L. McElroy, Jr.

BCWA Secretary