

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

Wednesday, March 10, 2010

450 Child Street, Warren Office, Warren, RI

Pursuant to proper notice, the regular meeting of the Board of Directors of the Bristol County Water Authority was called to order by Chairman Jannitto at 6:10 pm, 450 Child Street, Warren Office, Warren, Rhode Island. Executive Director Pasquale DeLise, and the following Directors were in attendance at the commencement of the meeting:

David Dugan, John Jannitto, Allan Klepper, John McElroy, Lloyd Matsumoto, Frank Nencka, Joseph Rego, Frank Sylvia

Director Absent: William Gosselin

Chairman Jannitto stated he had been handed a notification from Mr. Jeff Black stating this meeting was not proper. The notification will be turned over to our legal counsel.

Director Rego stated that the meeting should be held, if it is not proper it will be null and void and we'll have another meeting.

HOUSEKEEPING

Minutes of the following meetings were reviewed.

Upon a motion duly made and seconded, it was

VOTED: That the minutes of the Special Meeting of February 17, 2010, be approved.

Motion passed unanimously.

Upon a motion duly made and seconded, it was

VOTED: That the minutes of the Board Meeting of February 9, 2010, be approved.

Motion passed 7 – 1. Director Rego abstained.

Executive Director DeLise stated that the presentation material concerning the 9% Rate Increase be added to the minutes.

Upon a motion duly made and seconded, it was

VOTED: That the minutes of the Public Hearing of February 3, 2010, be approved with the presentation material.

Motion passed unanimously.

AUDIT FINANCE

Director Sylvia reported:

Old Business

1. Legal Costs, the running total for legal costs related to customer's request for document disclosure, as of February 28, is \$24,000.

New Business

1. Kent County Water Rates Increase, Kent County files for 8.2% water rates increase due to 2009 loss in water sales.

2. Providence Water Rates Increase, Providence files for 9.9% water rates increase due to 2009 loss in water sales.

Director Sylvia stated that Providence Water is now asking the PUC for another rate increase. Executive Director DeLise stated that another increase by Providence Water is not in our budget. Legal costs are also increasing.

3. Water Use and Government Efficiency Act, Director Klepper asked that this item remain on the agenda.

4. Quarterly Charge-Offs, Committee recommends approval. Upon a motion duly made and seconded it was

VOTED: To approve the Quarterly Charge-Offs in the amount of \$9,548.69, as presented.

Motion passed unanimously.

5. Science Fair, Essay Contest, Poster Contest, Committee recommends to proceed.

6. Kickemuit Fish Ladder, Committee recommends approval. Upon a motion duly made and seconded it was

VOTED: To approve BCWA loss of \$18,600.00 and further to approve expenditure of \$460.05 for the construction and installation of steel water gates for the Kickemuit Fish Ladder.

Gates Estimated Cost \$24,500.00

NRCS Contribution \$18,375.00

Remaining Funds \$5,664.95

BCWA Contribution \$460.05

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Motion passed unanimously.

ENGINEERING COMMITTEE

Director Rego reported:

Old Business

1. WTP Project Update, Committee request to advise towns/etc. of latest developments. Letters sent on 3/5/2010.

Executive Director DeLise stated that the CDM report had been delivered to RIWRB. RIWRB will then make a recommendation.

2. Matters Related to BCWA Discharge to Warren Sewer Plant, Chairman Jannitto stated he had spoken to the Town Manager about expediting the resolution of this matter.

The Chair recognized Mr. Jeff Black – on the Shad Pipeline there is no news, but I spoke to Mr. Mendes (RIWRB), who stated that the Shad was important for the running of the plant. Why are we not pursuing this?

Director Klepper stated that we are pursuing it.

The Chair recognized a customer who stated he had a problem with his water pressure. BCWA tested the pressure at his house yesterday.

Customer was asked to send a letter to the Executive Director to be put on the agenda.

PUBLIC RELATIONS/PERSONNEL COMMITTEE

Director Nencka reported:

Old Business

- 1. Correspondence from Director Gosselin, item to be discussed next month, Director Gosselin was not present.**

EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR'S REPORT

The Executive Director's Report was self-explanatory.

NEXT STEPS

- 1. Audit Finance Committee Meeting, Wednesday, April 7, 2010, 5:15 p.m., Warren Office, Boardroom, 450 Child Street.**
- 2. Engineering Committee Meeting, Wednesday, April 7, 2010, 5:20 p.m., Warren Office, Boardroom, 450 Child Street.**
- 3. Personnel/Retirement Committee Meeting, Wednesday April 7, 2010, 5:25 p.m., Warren Office, Boardroom, 450 Child Street.**
- 4. Board of Directors Monthly Meeting, Wednesday, April 14, 2010, 6:00 p.m., Warren Office, Boardroom, 450 Child Street.**

Chairman Jannitto made the following motion which was duly seconded

MOTION: To adjourn the meeting.

Motion passed unanimously.

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

John L. McElroy, Jr.

Secretary