

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

Wednesday, August 11, 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 6:00 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, William Gosselin, John Jannitto, Allan Klepper, Frank Nencka, Joseph Rego, Frank Sylvania

Directors Absent: John McElroy, Lloyd Matsumoto

HOUSEKEEPING

Minutes of the following meeting were reviewed.

Upon a motion duly made and seconded, it was

VOTED: That the minutes of the Board Meeting of July 14, 2010, be

approved.

Motion passed unanimously.

Upon a motion duly made and seconded, it was

VOTED: That the Executive Session Minutes of the Board Meeting of June 9, 2010, be approved.

Motion passed unanimously.

AUDIT FINANCE

Director Sylvia reported:

New Business

- 1. Meter Replacement Program, verbal report.**
- 2. Legal Costs Update, item to stay on agenda.**
- 3. RICWFA Recap, item to stay on agenda.**
- 4. Rate Structure Revisited, the Chair recognized Mr. Webster Goodwin, Manager of Accounting and MIS who stated that July sales were up \$100,000 more than projected. Providence Water was \$50,000 over budget.**
- 5. Correspondence from Director Gosselin Concerning BCWA**

Janitorial Expenses, item to stay on agenda.

6. Water Allocation Regulations, item to remain on the agenda.

7. Main Replacement Program iV Cost Update, Contract change.

New Business

1. BCWA Computer System, Executive Director DeLise stated that Staff is aware of the Chairman's concerns. There has been a footnote in the Capital Budget for the past 2 years, the computer system needs to be replaced in 2015, however Staff will begin an evaluation of available options in 2013.

Director Dugan asked if money is being set aside for the new system.

Executive Director DeLise stated that no money is being set aside. The new system, software and hardware is anticipated to cost about \$300,000.

2. Customer Appeal for High Water Bill, Customer was at meeting and addressed Committee.

Chairman Jannitto made the following motion

MOTION: Take the bill amount from the previous quarter and from the past quarter, average them out and have the customer pay this

amount.

Director Sylvia stated that there was no problem at the house, the meter tested okay. The bill has been reduced to \$600 with 90 days to pay. The customer could go on a payment plan.

Director Nencka stated that the water was used, it went through the meter. There were no leaks at the house.

Motion passed 5 y 2. Voting Aye, Chairman Jannitto, Directors Dugan, Gosselin, Klepper, Rego. Voting Nay, Directors Sylvia and Nencka.

Engineering

Director Rego reported:

Old Business

1. Water Treatment Plant Project Update, Executive Director DeLise stated that he met with RIWRB concerning the Plant and the Shad Pipeline.

Director Rego asked if the plant was running.

Executive Director DeLise stated that the plant had been temporarily shutdown.

2. Storage Tank Rehabilitation Project Update, Rehabilitation of Bay

View Tank has been postponed to Fall 2010.

3. Serpentine Road Drainage Project Update, No news.

4. Construction Progress Reports, was attached.

5. East Providence Emergency Pump Station ;V A draft report is scheduled to be ready in October. Start-up meeting held on 7/13/10.

6. Anawan Reservoir Spillway ;V Miscellaneous Damage Due to Heavy Rain the Week of March 29, 1010, All requested/required documents submitted to FEMA.

7. Roger Williams University ;V Executive Director DeLise stated that the tank went into operation August 4th without any problems. The Agreement was signed on August 4th.

The Chair recognized Mr. Jack Baillarger on who stated that BCWA should put into a fund for the new computer system the \$2400 that BCWA receives each month from Cox.

8. Recent Customer Complaint Concerning Meter and Service Pipe Replacement (Executive Session), no news at this time.

9. Hydraulic Study ;V Expansion of High Service Area, Pare Engineering, Pare report presents 2 options, Option 1, more direct, better results probable cost \$6.8 million. Option 2, more complex,

easements, probable cost \$5.3 million.

Director Rego stated that this item needs more discussion at next months sub committee meeting.

10. Swansea Desalination Plant Project (for Information Only), the Chair recognized Mr. Richard Fennessy, Assistant Engineer, who stated that Swansea had run into problems drilling under the highway.

11. Recent Correspondence Concerning Rehoboth Water District (Executive Session), Executive Director DeLise stated that BCWA has a permit from Mass. to withdraw water from Shad, Anawan and Swansea, and the District concerns bear no weight on BCWA permit.

PUBLIC RELATIONS/PERSONNEL COMMITTEE

Director Gosselin reported:

Old Business

1. Recent Correspondence from Attorney L. Schneider (Executive Session _ RIGL 42-46-5 „» B), The Board voted to go into Executive Session under RIGL 42-46-5 „» B to discuss this item. Upon a motion duly made and seconded, it was

VOTED: To go into Executive Session under RIGL 42-46-5 „» B to discuss recent correspondence from Attorney Schneider.

All presented voted Aye.

The Board went into Executive Session at 7:03 pm.

The Board returned to open meeting at 7:11 pm.

The Chairman made the following motion which was duly made and seconded

MOTION: To seal these Executive Session minutes.

Motion passed unanimously.

Director Gosselin asked the Executive Director if he had received any notification concerning the Tri-Town Meeting. The Executive Director stated he had not.

2. Employee Health Contribution, No news at this time.

3. Protocol for Emergency Situation, Committee recommends to put this item on "Hold" for the time being.

Chairman Jannitto stated that BCWA has done their part. Barrington and the Bristol Warren School system have a system set up, if we have a problem we can notify them.

Director Klepper made the following motion

MOTION: No action to purchase system for Code Red.

Director Gosselin made the following motion, which was duly seconded

MOTION: Committee recommends to put this item on hold and revisit the matter at a future time concurrent with FY12 anticipated budgets.

Director Klepper withdrew his motion.

Director Gosselin's motion passed unanimously.

New Business

1. Recent Drinking Water Related Newspaper Stories (for Information Only), no news.

BCWA in the News – No discussion followed.

NEXT STEPS

1. Audit Finance Committee Meeting, Wednesday, September 1, 2010, 5:15 p.m., Warren Office, Boardroom, 450 Child Street.

2. Engineering Committee Meeting, Wednesday, September 1, 2010, 5:20 p.m., Warren Office, Boardroom, 450 Child Street.

3. Personnel/Retirement Committee Meeting, Wednesday September

1, 2010, 5:25 p.m., Warren Office, Boardroom, 450 Child Street.

4. Board of Directors Monthly Meeting, Wednesday, September 15, 2010, 6:00 p.m., Warren Office, Boardroom, 450 Child Street.

The Chairman made the following motion, which was duly seconded

MOTION: To accept the dates for the September meetings.

Motion passed unanimously.

The Chairman 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 7:20 pm.

John L. McElroy, Jr.

Secretary