

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

Wednesday, January 12, 2011

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, Lloyd Matsumoto, Frank Nencka, Joseph Rego, Frank Sylvania

Director Absent: John McElroy

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 December 8, 2010,

be approved.

Motion passed 7 to 1, Director Sylvia abstained.

AUDIT FINANCE

Director Sylvia reported:

Old Business

1. Meter Replacement Program Update, The Chair recognized Mr. Webster Goodwin, Manager of Accounting and MIS who stated that 20 meters had been installed last month.

2. Rate Structure Revisited, Consensus is to have a hearing if Board approves BCWA rate increases concurrent with Providence rate increases. Director Klepper stated that BCWA should wait until the efficiency report is completed to make a decision. Executive Director DeLise stated that a meeting is schedule with the auditors for Friday 1/14/11 at 10 am.

3. Water Allocation Regulations, No news at this time.

4. FY12 O&M Budget, Staff will present a draft proposed FY12 O&M Budget at January meetings.

Chairman Jannitto introduced Barrington Town Councilor Ms. Coyne and Bristol Town Councilor Mr. Teixeira.

Engineering

Director Rego reported:

Old Business

1. Water Treatment Plant Project Update, Executive Director DeLise stated that the Phase II RFP is in the Review process. Director Rego stated that the State will pay 100% for this work.

Executive Director DeLise explained BCWA history. Legislators wanted a back-up water source – legislation was passed with the provision that the State would pay for plant update and the Shad Line.

The state paid \$1.2 million for the Phase I improvements to the treatment plant; the total cost was \$1.9 million.

The Chair recognized Mr. Brian Mellor, Local 359 Union President, who asked if the Audit will provide all the answers to the ratepayers. There is a lot of false information being published in the newspapers and the Board is not responding.

Director Rego stated that BCWA should put a statement in the newspaper.

2. Anawan Reservoir Spillway – No news at this time. Miscellaneous Damage Due to Heavy Rain the Week of March 29, 2010.

3. FY12 Capital Budget, Committee requests that expansion of High service Area be added to the budget and be put “on hold”.

PUBLIC RELATIONS/PERSONNEL COMMITTEE

Director Gosselin reported:

Old Business

- 1. Employees Health Contribution, item to be deleted from agenda.**
- 2. Recent Tri-Town Meeting Concerning BCWA Operational Review, Executive Director DeLise stated that he will be meeting with B & E auditors at 10:00 am Friday, January 14th.**
- 3. Staff Employee Salary Review, this item is postponed to the February meetings.**
- 4. Pension Plan Workshop, Mr. Bostian was present at January meeting and gave a brief presentation and answered questions.**
- 5. Committee requests that for February meetings, BCWA website be added to the agenda.**

Executive Director DeLise stated that Legal Counsel, Ms. Sandra Mack is discussing this subject with RWU.

Some discussion followed concerning the January 25 meeting being held in Bristol by the East Bay Patriots.

NEXT STEPS

- 1. Audit Finance Committee Meeting, Wednesday, February 2, 2011,**

5:15 p.m., Warren Office, Boardroom, 450 Child Street.

2. Engineering Committee Meeting, Wednesday, February 2, 2011,

5:20 p.m., Warren Office, Boardroom, 450 Child Street.

3. Personnel/Retirement Committee Meeting, Wednesday February 2,

2011, 5:25 p.m., Warren Office, Boardroom, 450 Child Street.

4. Board of Directors Monthly Meeting, Wednesday, February 9, 2011,

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 February 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