

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

**Wednesday, February 25, 2015
450 Child Street, Boardroom, Warren, RI**

Pursuant to proper notice, the Board Meeting of the Bristol County Water Authority was called to order by Vice-Chairman Gosselin at 6:00 pm, 450 Child Street, Boardroom, Warren, Rhode Island.

Executive Director Pamela Marchand, Legal Counsel Joseph Keough and the following Directors were in attendance at the commencement of the meeting:

William Gosselin, Joel Hellmann, John Jannitto, Bradford Louison, Raymond Palmieri, Sr., Frank Sylvia

Directors Absent: Paul Bishop, Allan Klepper, Georgina Macdonald

1. Public Input - None

2. Minutes

Director Jannitto made the following motion seconded by Director Hellmann

MOTION: To approve the minutes of the 1/28/15 Board Meeting.

Motion passed 5 to 1, with Director Sylvia abstaining.

3. Executive Directors Report

Executive Director P. Marchand stated that there have been 25 water main breaks since December which is higher than normal with about half of the breaks in Barrington. Our crews have done a great job on these repairs and keeping those who have to go without water to a minimum amount of time, said Executive Director P. Marchand.

Director Jannitto wanted to commend the men for the outstanding job that they are doing.

Executive Director P. Marchand stated that 2 operators will be retiring this year, a help wanted ad has been advertised in the local papers for the position of Water Utility Operator. A pre-test will be given as the operators are required to be licensed by the State of RI.

Director Louison arrived at 6:07 pm.

Also, the work at Anawan is on hold due to the weather. Bid documents will be going out for Child Street and Market Street projects, work will begin this summer.

Operations Manager K. Booth stated that work on the Barrington and Central Bridge is on target.

4. Financial Report

Finance Manager M. Champagne stated that Revenues are 3.0% over budget and expenses are 4% under budget. The annual audit will start on April 10 and take about 4 weeks to complete.

5. Request for Abatement – Warren Little League

Executive Director P. Marchand stated that this is the Little League’s third request for an abatement. Item continued to the March meeting.

6. Bid Award – Fountain Ave Tank, Barrington

Executive Director P. Marchand stated this is a mixing system for the tank.

Director Sylvia made the following motion seconded by Director Hellmann

MOTION: To award the bid to install a mixing system and vent in the Fountain Ave Tank to Thielsch Engineering in the amount of \$85,560, as presented.

Motion passed unanimously.

7. Update on the Pawtucket Pipeline, Phase 1

Executive Director P. Marchand spoke with East Providence Town Manager Paul Lemont. Mr. Lemont is interested in pursuing the pipeline connection. He is looking into CDM-Smith Engineers providing a reliability study of the East Providence supply system that could be presented to the Town Council. RIWRB has some additional funding in their Water Facilities program for matching funds to develop the engineering documents for the project.

8. Minutes

Director Jannitto made the following motion seconded by Director Louison

MOTION: To approve the Personnel Committee Minutes of 1/28/15.

Motion passed unanimously.

Director Palmieri made the following motion seconded by Director Hellmann

MOTION: To adjourn the meeting.

Motion passed unanimously.

There being no further business the meeting was adjourned at 6:35 pm.

Raymond Palmieri, Sr.
Secretary