03/17/2016

The monthly meeting of the Board of Water Commissioners was held at Freedom Hall at 6:00 p.m. Chairman Barnicle, Commissioner Campbell and Commissioner Mastro were present, as was Superintendent Chris Wiseman.

Russ Kleekamp from the engineering firm of GHD was in attendance.

The meeting was called to order at 6:00 p.m.

The 02/18/2016 minutes were approved and warrants were signed.

Mr. Wiseman reviewed the water quality testing results for the month of February.

PUMPAGE	2015	2016
February Pumpage	8,354,000	8,742,000

There were 2 new service installation and no replacement services completed in February.

Mr. Wiseman reminded the board that we have been approved for the Hazardous Mitigation Grant from FEMA/MEMA. He continues to work with the various agencies to submit the funding information to facilitate the payout and the start of the project.

The board has advised Mr. Wiseman to move forward with the Forestry Stewardship application and he will work with Mr. Daley to submit the necessary paperwork, including W9 form.

Mr. Wiseman advised the board of a possible general liability claim from a homeowner who sustain damage to their home due to a leaking curb stop.

The annual flushing program is scheduled to begin in early April and notices will be posted soon.

Mr. Wiseman provided the BOWC with updated pricing for the modifications necessary to be compliant with the Chemical Treatment Safety requirements. He has petitioned MassDEP for an extension to the deadline to become compliant. The board discussed the requirements and possible alternatives and have requested that Patrick O'Neale of Tata & Howard and Cortland Ridings of MassDEP attend a future meeting to continue the discussion.

Chairman Barnicle advised the board that the Prudential Committee is recommending that the district complete a water rate survey. The board agrees, and after some discussion has requested additional information be distributed for review in order to discuss further at the next meeting.

The board then set the next meeting date as Mr. Campbell needed to leave the meeting.

Russ Kleekamp provided an update on the tank construction, noting that the foundation has been poured and the central pipe is in place. He also updated the board on the USDA Grant application and he hopes to have a response sometime next week as the application is under review. Open Cape and the Fiber Optic project is pending the USDA approval. Mr. Kleekamp also sent a Cell Tower RFQ to Mr. Wiseman for review. He asked a couple of question regarding pricing structure and the terms of the lease and will update the RFQ with this information. Mr. Kleekamp and Mr. Wiseman will attend the Cape Cod Commission meeting scheduled for March 23, 2016.

Andrew Casey was not able to attend the meeting but will pick up the Solar RFQ's at the office on Friday, March 18, 2016. There were 2 bid packages received.

The board reviewed an updated draft of the FY17 budget and discussed salary proposals. They have asked to be added to the Prudential Committee agenda for the March 28th meeting to present the budget as they are not available to attend the meeting scheduled for April 12th.

The next meeting of the Board of Water Commissioners will be held on Wednesday, April 20, 2016 at 6:00 p.m. at Freedom Hall.

The meeting adjourned at 7:22 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Theodore Barnicle, Chairman

Cc: Prudential Committee