

Minutes of the
Regular Meeting of February 14, 2023

WATER COMMISSIONERS PRESENT:

Mr. Jim Kelleher, Chair
Mr. Scott Ellis
Mr. David Burke

EWD STAFF PRESENT:

Mr. William Chapman
Mr. Shane Ben David

Meeting Called to Order:

Mr. Kelleher called the meeting to order at 3:06 p.m. with a moment of silence to honor Eric Hathaway.

Minutes:

Mr. Ellis motioned to approve the minutes of January 10, 2023, Mr. Burke seconded and the motion passed unanimously.

NEW BUSINESS:

Staffing Plan

Currently there are two vacant Water Operator positions that we are hoping to fill as soon as possible. Dylan Thornton, who holds the laborer position, has expressed interest in advancing to a Water Operator, and will be working towards getting his D1 & T1 licenses. Heidi Boyd, Department Assistant, will also be taking an entry level review course in hopes to get her Water Operator licenses at some point. The Commissioners discussed the options of giving an annual stipend for anyone that obtains their licenses, and keeps them up to date, where it is not required in their position.

Operational Report:

- Eleven water services were installed (including the new main on Mill Street), with several more applications for service reviewed.
- Monthly bacteriological samples were collected and analyzed.
- A faulty fire hydrant was replaced on 16th Street.

- The Tier II Report was completed and filed as required.
- The Operating Budget, Capital Plan and A.T.M. articles were presented to the B.O.S. and the F.A.C.
- Initial consultation was provided for several water main extension projects.

OTHER BUSINESS:

New Truck

We are still waiting for a few modifications to be completed but the truck should be ready for pick-up soon.

Water Ban

The new withdrawal permit will be issued soon and may include some strict water ban guidelines in the event of a drought. Today the D.E.P has recommended that the drought status be lifted.

ADJOURNMENT:

Mr. Burke motioned to adjourn the meeting at 3:56 p.m., Mr. Ellis seconded and the motioned passed unanimously.

Respectfully submitted,

Sheila Ben David
Administrative Assistant

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TOWN OF EDGARTOWN

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Scott Ellis, Commissioner

David Burke, Commissioner