

**WATER RESOURCES COMMISSION**  
**MEETING MINUTES**

**Wednesday, June 23, 2021**

**7:00 PM**

**Scituate Library, Large Conference Room**

<u>Topic</u>
<b>Call to order</b>
<b>Attendees:</b> Joanne Wyckoff Becky Malamut Emily Simmer Bruce Arbonies Freya Schlegel
<b>Water system updates</b> Water Department update & Brown Water update <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>- Becky shared notes from the water rate discussions at the recent Select Board meetings.</li><li>- Updates sent via email from Water Dept<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>o No violations have been given out at this time, they are mailing warnings, because residents have been hostile to Water Dept staff and they aren't comfortable with the confrontation.</li><li>o The reservoir was even Saturday but was -.75 inches Tuesday. Average daily demand for the past week:<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>▪ TP 726,286 gallons per day</li><li>▪ Wells 890,000</li><li>▪ Total Average Daily Demand 1,619,086</li></ul></li><li>o Water mains – Work continues on Utility Road area. Will be moving to Old Oaken Bucket Road next.</li><li>o Well 17 is expected to get power next week, and start testing equipment soon after.</li><li>o Manganese levels in Old Oaken Bucket continue to cause problems because they can't treat for it during the summer due to high demand. Discolored water complaints are increasing.<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>▪ WRC to create FB post reminding people to report brown water instances so Water Dept can have that data point and hopefully figure out why it's happening</li></ul></li></ul></li></ul>

**Water conservation outreach**

Save Water Scituate video campaign

- Becky to reach back out to Seth Pfeiffer to see if he can help with final edits

Rain barrels – Becky to update website

- Freya working with Darryn Campbell to install rain barrels at little league fields so they have water to keep the mounds dry and not dusty during a full ban
- Becky to figure out how Town Hall waters their gardens and recommend rain barrel accordingly

Restaurant outreach – Steph suggested sending it as an email and hard copy

- Becky shared notes from her call with Steph Burke. She will make edits to the BMP doc and we need to figure out how to circulate print and electronic versions

Pools – South Shore Pool Supply suggested we wait until the offseason to put this together for next year – Indian Head Water could be a good resource for this

Marinas – No update. Becky to work on outreach docs

**Offsets & Rebate program**

Met with Jim, Sean and Kevin on 6/8. Jim will assign the projects to the new town intern, I will oversee most of it. Intern will have access to town employees, etc.

**Liaison updates**

Planning – Becky

- Planning Board apps – 626 CJC Hwy, 533 Country Way
- Final Master Plan meeting tomorrow at 7pm, Town Hall

EDC – Freya

- Pier 44 discussion, Select Board will appoint a committee that will make a plan for the space, it will likely be a more passive space

School Committee – Emily

- She introduced herself to the Chair

Con Comm – Joanne

- Keep 626 CJC Hwy on your radar

Zoning – Bruce

- Nothing to report

Board of Health – Jackie not present to report

**Approve May minutes**

Freya made a motion to approve the minutes Becky sent via email. Bruce seconded. All in favor.

**Recent correspondence**

None

**Open discussion**

Next meeting – 7/21 – In-person

**Adjourn**