

WATER RESOURCES COMMISSION

MEETING MINUTES

Tuesday, August 23, 2022

7:00 PM

Small Conference Room, Scituate Town Hall

*** Items taken out of order from the agenda to accommodate timing for WTP presentation**

<u>Topic</u>
Call to order Attendees: Becky Malamut Joanne Wyckoff Emily Simmer Freya Schlegel Jacqueline Bohn
Seasonal conservation outreach Becky to work on education docs in the Fall so they're ready to go in the spring:
Joint session with the Select Board Update: Water Treatment Plan Project. See Select Board minutes
WRC WTP Discussion Once the warrant is posted, we should do another round of outreach (then people will know the date and time) – what's Yes vote vs No vote
Water System Updates Water Department update – Becky read WTP update <ul style="list-style-type: none">- Reservoir is -44.5", Tack Factory Pond is -13.75".- Rainfall in the last 7 days = 0.05", as measured at the TP. State has us in a level 3 Critical Drought as of August 9th.- Demand for the past 7 days: 1,374,885 Average gallons per day (same as previous week)<ul style="list-style-type: none">o Wells – 6,955,200 Gallonso TP – 2,669,000 Gallons- Additional highlights from Sara Grady's email - the reservoir is about 50% full, and the forecasted streamflow cutoff would be November 11th if it was still continuing. <p>Joanne asked how do we know how low the wells are? Do they have a dipstick or is it based on production?</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">- Freya mentioned the Drought Bill - should the WRC campaign to support the Drought Bill as a future initiative? Joanne suggested that they should include private well owners <p>Brown Water update – discussed in the WTP Presentation to the Select Board</p>

Offsets & rebate programs update

Offsets - Tighe & Bond awarded the contract to finish the work needed to implement the offset policy

Rebates – Funding is available forms are drafted, will hopefully finalize after Town Meeting

Additional proposals in progress:

- BMPs for municipal buildings and public housing - Tabled until the next meeting
- Rainwater reuse – No update

Liaison updates

Board of Health – Jackie – no update

EDC – Freya

- Town rep responsible for grants - Kyle Boyd – no longer in that position

Con Comm – Joanne

- 7 New Driftway – hearing continued to Oct 3, they have decreased impervious cover from 50% to 29%
- CPC (she's not the liaison, she just happened to be the one who attended that meeting) - We reviewed the recent version of Joanne's letter to be submitted to Darryn – Becky made a motion to send it. Freya seconded. All in favor

Zoning – Bruce's update sent via text to Becky

- 62 Curtis St (WRPD) and 39 Cornet Rd (Zone 2) agreed to put in rain gardens and sub surface retention basins to offset being over 15% impervious cover

Planning – Becky – no update

School Committee – Emily – no recent meetings

Approve July and August 17 minutes – Tabled to next meeting

Recent correspondence – None

Open discussion

Next meeting – Sept 12 at 7pm, 1 agenda items – prep for Town Meeting

Adjourn