

WATER RESOURCES COMMISSION
MEETING MINUTES
Monday, September 12, 2022
7:30 PM
Local History Room, Scituate Library

<u>Topic</u>
<p>1. Call to order</p> <p>Attendees:</p> <p>Emily Simmer Freya Schlegel Bruce Arbonies Becky Malamut Jackie Bohn Joanne Wyckoff</p> <p>Bob DeLorenzo Erik Seitta Patty Lambert</p> <p>Becky announced that Kevin Finney decided not to renew his spot on the WRC. We now have an open spot on the commission.</p>
<p>2. Water System Updates</p> <p>Water Department update – Becky read from Mark’s update</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">- Reservoir is -46.0”, Tack Factory Pond is -14.5”.- Rainfall in the last 7 days = 0.9” (not including last night), as measured at the TP. State has us in a level 2 Significant Drought as of 9/8.- Demand for the past 7 days including the holiday:<ul style="list-style-type: none">Wells – 6,743,520 GallonsTP – 1,744,000 GallonsTotal = 8,487,520 Gallons or 1,212,502 Average gallons per day. Down slightly from the previous holiday week.- The production from our well water is slowly declining due to the water table dropping as a result of the drought.- Full Water Ban started late Tuesday August 2, 2022. Total ban on all nonessential outside water use.- Continuing to issue violations to anyone violating the Total Ban. <p>Brown Water update</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">- Manganese is still elevated at the TP but coming down with the cooler night temperatures. All manganese sampling (in house) for the SWTP was below .2 mg/l.- Still lots of people coming in for bottled water

3. Open discussion

Bob DeLorenzo suggested putting together a group of interested citizens with certain expertise to investigate using desalination to supplement our water resources. He will put this group together and bring their findings back to the WRC.

4. Approve July and August minutes

Freya made a motion to approve the minutes Becky sent via email. Seconded by Jackie. All in favor

5. Prep for Town Meeting - Water Treatment Plant, Article 1

Yes vs No vote

- Yes vote is not tied to funding, it has to do with the siting
- No vote – same thinking as BIC calls
 - o Freya thinks No voters are tied to the greenbelt – need to stress that it will still be green

Do we provide rides to Town Meetings? Joanne offered to her neighborhood

6. Recent correspondence

None

7. Open discussion

Next WRC meeting date set for Oct 4 at 7pm

8. Adjourn