

MINUTES OF THE ANNUAL DISTRICT MEETING

HELD ON

June 23, 2019

The Moderator, William E. Crowell, Jr., having declared a quorum of at least 25 voters present, called the meeting to order at 4:35PM at the Nathaniel H Wixon Middle School, 901 Route 134, South Dennis. The pledge of allegiance was recited. The Moderator then introduced the Board of Water Commissioners and District Finance Committee.

The Moderator then proceeded with the reading of the Warrant. On a motion made by Sheryl A McMahon and duly seconded, those present **UNANIMOUSLY VOTED: to waive the balance of the formal reading of the Warrant.**

The Moderator thanked the voters in attendance for coming. He noted that the Finance Committee recommendations will be made as each article is called. The Moderator then called for the motions on the articles and declared the votes as follows:

ARTICLE 1. Finance Committee: Recommend to pass the article as presented.

UNANIMOUSLY VOTED: To transfer and appropriate the sum of \$7,956 from the General Water District Revenues of the Fiscal Year 2021 for the salaries of the elected officials as delineated in the warrant.

3 Water Commissioners at \$2,550 each
1 Moderator at \$306

ARTICLE 2. Finance Committee: Recommend to pass the article as presented.

VOTED: To transfer and appropriate the sum \$4,736,619 from the General Water District Revenues of the Fiscal Year 2021 for Operating and Maintenance Expenses.

ARTICLE 3. Finance Committee: Recommend to pass the article as presented.

VOTED: To transfer and appropriate the sum \$635,650 from the General Water District Revenues of the Fiscal Year 2021 and to transfer and appropriate \$559,850 from "Free Cash" for a total of \$1,195,500 for the Capital Appropriations:

Cleaning Wells & Pump Repairs	200,000
Tank Power Washing & Maintenance	132,000
New Trucks w/Equipment	25,000
Miscellaneous Equipment (safety equipment, pump & hoses, etc)	24,000
Risk & Resilience Assessment	15,000
Replace Phone System	8,500
Replace Versa Probes	16,000
Water Billing Programming	75,000
Chlorine Analyzer Upgrades	50,000
Green Sand Replacement	50,000
Paint Interior/Exterior Route 134 Tank	600,000

ARTICLE 4. The motion was read aloud by Alan Tuttle and duly seconded. Finance Committee Chair Greg Stone moved to amend the motion by changing parcel three to be used for general district purposes. Debate ensued. The Moderator then called for a vote on the amendment which failed to pass as there were nine (9) in favor and forty-eight (48) opposed. The Moderator then called for the vote on the main motion which was as follows:

UNANIMOUSLY VOTED: That the Board of Water Commissioners is authorized to acquire by gift, purchase or eminent domain, for watershed conservation protection and pursuant to G. L. c. 40, §3A, the fee interest in three (3) parcels of real property described as follows:

- 1) 635 Old Bass River Road, a parcel of land located in the Town of Dennis, County of Barnstable, Massachusetts, containing approximately 4.448 +/- acres, shown as Town of Assessors Map 260, Parcel 44-0.
- 2) 635-A Old Bass River Road, a parcel of land located in the Town of Dennis, County of Barnstable, Massachusetts, containing approximately 2.309 +/- acres, shown as Town of Assessors Map 260, Parcel 45-0.
- 3) 636 Old Bass River Road, that certain parcel of land located in the Town of Dennis, containing .549 +/- acres; shown as Town of Assessors Map 260, Parcel 43-0;

All three (3) parcels shown as Lot 1A, Lot 1B and Lot 2, respectively, on a plan entitled "Plan of Land in Dennis, Massachusetts, As Prepared for Heirs of Water F. Howes, Heirs of Mary G. Hall, Scale 1" = 40', May 5, 2015, Sweetser Engineering, 203 Setucket Road, South Dennis, Mass." recorded in the Barnstable County Registry of Deeds in Book 671, Page 35, said property to be under the care, custody, management and control of the Board of Water Commissioners; that \$700,000 is appropriated to pay costs of this acquisition, including the payment of all other costs incidental or related thereto; that to meet this appropriation, the Treasurer, with the approval of the Board of Water Commissioners, is authorized to borrow said amount pursuant to M.G.L. c. 44, §7(1) or any other enabling authority, and to issue bonds or notes of the District therefor. Any premium received upon the sale of any bonds or notes approved by this vote, less any such premium applied to the payment of the costs of issuance of such bonds or notes, may be applied to the payment of costs approved by this vote in accordance with M.G.L. c. 44, §20, thereby reducing the amount authorized to be borrowed to pay such costs by a like amount. The Board of Water Commissioners is authorized to enter into all agreements and execute any and all instruments as may be necessary or convenient on behalf of the District to effect this acquisition.

The Moderator then recognized Water Commission Chairman Paul F. Prue for closing remarks. Chairman Prue announced that earlier this year the Town of Dennis received a Community Rating of "Two" by the Insurance Services Office. He thanked and commend the Dennis Water District and the Dennis Fire Department for all of their work in achieving this rating upgrade. It means excellent fire protection and public safety for the Town. The rating not only means that it is safer but, property owners can contact their homeowner's insurance companies and check with them on appropriate discounts for better fire-rated communities. On a motion made and duly seconded the meeting was adjourned at 4:57 PM.

Respectfully submitted,



Sheryl A McMahon
District Clerk