

**CITY OF BROCKTON  
WATER COMMISSION  
Minutes  
January 11, 2016**

**Present:** Ossie Jordan, Chairman/Commissioner  
Jim Bragg, Commissioner  
Kate Archard, Commissioner  
Brian Creedon, Water Systems Manager  
Jeanne L. Holmes, attendee

**Absent:** Bernie Hassan, Commissioner  
Dan Murphy, Commissioner  
Larry Rowley, DPW Commissioner  
Alisa Hambly

Mr. Jordan called the meeting to order at 10:03 A.M.; he noted that Commissioners Daniel Murphy and Bernie Hassan along with Mr. Rowley are not in attendance. He called for the approval of the December 14, 2015 minutes.

**Mr. Bragg moved to accept the December 14, 2015 minutes, this motion was seconded by Ms. Archard, and so voted in favor unanimously; motion passed.**

The Commissioners questioned if the minutes were posted on the City Web Page and Mr. Creedon stated it was done in the past but not presently. The Commission requested that it be done and Mr. Creedon stated that he will have them posted.

Mr. Jordan stated that the Commission had invited Aquaria previously on an every other month bases and that we should resume this at next month's meeting. The Commission concurred and Mr. Creedon stated he will invite them.

Mr. Jordan called for a report from the **Water System Manager. Mr. Creedon reported** that he has provided this month's and Decembers flows and that over past 2 months the usage have been at just below 10 mgd and just today January 11<sup>th</sup> the flow was at 11.255 mgd and that the Town of Halifax usage, which he provided a copy of their usage was closed last week and will be billed over \$126,351.37 for the 33+ million gallons. This brought up the outer town or wholesale rates which are \$3.81 per 1000 gallons or \$2.85 per 100 cubic feet which is set by the Water Commission in negotiations with the towns the authority comes from the 1964 legislation which he distributed to the Commission. Mr. Jordan to supply to the Commission for our next meeting all out of town account both retail and wholesale along with their rate structure. This includes the Town's wholesale rates and the Gables rate and those controlled by the Producer Price Index.

Silver Lake is at minus 46.50 inches below full today which is over 14 inch recovery since December 1st. We have been diversions of both Monponsett Pond and Furnace Pond. The diversion at Monponsett is partially opened to slow the backflow from West Pond into East Pond. The diversion at Furnace Pond has been shut as the Pembroke Herring Board has seen juveniles in the pond and was resumed on January 4th

Mr. Jordan opened the discussion of the meeting for the discussion of the FY 2017 Proforma Budget. Mr. Creedon stated this Proforma Budget is level funded from the recently modified budget increases last month. The budget has no Capital Projects as in this year's budget and only the Torrey Street project which is in Debt Service will be beginning soon as CDM is doing test borings at this time. What is most

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important is determining the revenues available in determining the budget which will increase with the rate increases just pasted by the City Council and on the Revenue 2016 Sheet he handed out shows that at present water rates are at greater than 50% at 51.4% after 2 billings and on the Rate evaluation 2017 the rate increase would increase revenues next year by over 2 million dollars at \$2,193,082.46 if usage is that similar last years and all bills are paid. This would estimate revenues over \$17 million for next year. Over the next 2 months the Commission needs to look at the Capital needs of the system which was at zero for this year as well as the line items to submit our recommendations to the Mayor for submission to the City Council.

The Water Commission is scheduled to have its annual meeting in March where the Commission will vote on its' chairman from the 3 members appointed by the Mayor and one of its members as Clerk. You will also vote on the Water Systems Manager evaluation and 5 year term of office. The evening rate hearing and submission of a budget date was acted on by the Ordinance Committee and the date had been acted on and Mr. Creedon will ask the City Clerk to clarify the Council's action for the date change which was moved to April or before May 1<sup>st</sup>.

The Commission discussed meeting times and decided that Monday meetings would be at 10:00 AM. The next meeting will be on February 8, 2016.

**Meeting adjourned at 12:25 PM.**

**Respectfully submitted and certified by:**

Brian M. Creedon,  
Water Systems Manager  
Clerk of the Commission