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**CITY OF BROCKTON
WATER COMMISSION
Minutes
June 13, 2016**

Present: Ossie Jordan, Chairman/Commissioner
Jim Bragg, Commissioner
Dan Murphy, Commissioner
Bernie Hassan, Commissioner
Kate Archard, Commissioner
Brian Creedon, Water Systems Manager

Absent: Larry Rowley, DPW Commissioner

Attending: Drew Garvin; JK Holmgren Engineering, Inc.
James Parker; Kingston Conservation Commission
Aaron R. Richardson; Whitman DPW Water Superintendant
Richard D. Muncey; Town of Hanson Water Superintendant
Cathleen Drinan; Halifax Board of Health
Kim Roy; Halifax Board of Selectmen
Charlie Seelig; Halifax Town Administrator

Mr. Jordan called the meeting to order at 10:02 A.M. He called for the approval of the May 9, 2016 minutes.

Mr. Bragg moved to accept the May 9, 2016 minutes, Mr. Murphy made clarification in the wording of the Wholesale Rate vote this changed was approved and moved again by Mr. Bragg and seconded by Mr. Hassan, and so voted in favor unanimously; the motion passed.

Mr. Jordan postponed the report from Mr. Creedon.

Mr. Jordan called for the 10:15 Water Connection application for 41 Libby St. Mr. Drew Garvin of JK Holmgren Engineering represented the applicants. MM Brockton CC, LLC with the building of a new cancer center in the area of Brockton Hospital and request 6,250 gallons per day.

Mr. Bragg moved to approve the application as stated which was seconded by Mr. Murphy and approved unanimously.

Mr. Jordan called for the discussion of the discussion of recommendation to the City Council of Granting an easement to the Town of Kingston for City owned land at the Forge Pond Dam. He invited James Parker of the Town of Kingston Conservation Commission on the issue. Mr. Creedon noted that the commission has previously granted a temporary easement in May of 2015 to prepare for the drainage work. Mr. Parker noted easement is for the westerly side of Lake St., Kingston and would upgate the drainage in the area.

Ms. Archard moved to recommend favorably with necessary changes and was seconded by Mr. Hassan and approved unanimously.

Mr. Jordan invited the Superintendants of the Town Whitman Water Department, Mr. Aaron R. Richardson, and the Town of Hanson Water Department, Richard D. Muncey. Mr. Jordan explained that the Water Commission at our last meeting had raised the Wholesale Rate we charge their towns to \$4.61 per 1,000 gallons for usage after July 1 2016. Mr. Murphy and other Commissioners explained that the

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City customers and their towns direct connect to the City system customers have already had a 10% increased which will be again increased 10% in January of 2017. The Wholesale Rate increase includes both 10% increases to the \$4.61 per 1,000 gallons price. It was noted that this is the first increase since 2008. They confirmed they understood the increase.

Mr. Muncey also explained that the water tank painting will continue till the end of the month and that he has experience a number of breaks during the period of his town being on Brockton water.

Mr. Jordan invited the officials from the Town of Halifax to discuss the communication from the Halifax Board of Selectmen with the Water Commission. Mr. Creedon noted that the Selectman has requested that the City coordinate with the Town and cranberry growers when they release fertilized waste water with the opening of the lower sluice gate. We should concur except when the pond's level is below full, the pond has been blow the zero level over the last 3 days. Mr. Charlie Selig, Town Administrator began by talking of the high Cyanobacteria count in West Monponsett that they are considering additional alum treatment which they have discussed with DEP. Selectwoman Kim Roy noted that this has come at a great expense to the town and that they need help in getting the money to do the treatment.

Mr. Jordan noted that we do not know our final budget number and we talk later after the budget passes. Ms. Drinan suggested that they are looking at a 319 Grant from DEP to assist them. Mr. Murphy suggested that they communicate back to us when they have the cost and we need to get DEP involved with a multi-component approach to find a solution. Mr. Bragg stated we need the costs at a future meeting.

Mr. Creedon reported that he has provided this month's and May's flows and that over past 2 months the usage has been between have been in the mid to high 11 mgd average and this has been influenced since March the Town of Hanson system usage while its tank work is occurring they are using about 600 to 700 plus thousand gallons per day with some days this month in the 900 thousands when they have had breaks. Silver Lake is down -11.9 inches from full today and as we get to minus 20 inches we should issue a Water Restriction Advisory. The commission concurred and he sated he will issue it at -20 inches.

Mr. Bragg noted that he will continue to attend the CPCWD meetings along with Mr. Creedon.

Ms. Archard motioned to adjourn

The next meeting will be on July 11, 2016.

Meeting adjourned at 12:12 PM.

Respectfully submitted and certified by:

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