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**CITY OF BROCKTON
WATER COMMISSION
Minutes
August 16, 2011**

Present: Bruce Malcolm, Chairman/Commissioner
Peggy McGrath, Commissioner
Ossie Jordan, Commissioner
Patrick Quinn, Commissioner
Brian Creedon, Water Systems Manager
Larry Rowley, Superintendent of Utilities
Michael L. Thoreson, DPW Commissioner

Attending: Rebecca McEnroe, Aquaria
Carolyn LaMarre
Kate Archard
Linda Correia
Ken Caputo, The Boulders
Chuck Comeau, The Boulders

Mr. Malcolm called the meeting to order at 9:04 A.M., noting that a quorum is present.

Mr. Malcolm called for a motion to approve the July 21, 2011 meeting minutes.

Mr. Jordan moved to approve the July 21, 2011 meeting minutes. The Commission voted unanimously on this motion, motion passed.

Mr. Malcolm called for a report from the **DPW Commissioner. Mr. Thoreson stated that he had no comments.**

Mr. Malcolm called for a report from the **Superintendent of Utilities. Mr. Rowley reported** that July's monthly report was included in the meeting information. Regarding water mains work is complete on Leland Street which will help Gerald Avenue. Work on Ellsworth and Palm Place will be starting and will increase the pressure in that area. There have been a number of dirty water calls due to two power outages at Silver Lake; hydrant flushing is being done and some meters have been pulled to help alleviate the problem; both Pine Grove and Chatham Estates are having this same issue; however it seems that their problem is more an internal issue. Ms McEnroe noted that she experienced the same problem in Nashua and suggested possibly switching over to generator prior to a possible power outage to possibly minimize the interruption. Mr. Quinn questioned meter installation. Mr. Rowley stated that the new program is beginning installing the new meters.

Mr. Malcolm opened the meeting for Water Connections and discussion of the application for **Raintree Circle – the Boulders.**

Mr. Jordan moved to approve the application for Raintree Circle – The Boulders for 46,200 GPD; property will have fire sprinklers and each of the 19 buildings will be owned by separate owners, no outside irrigation, this approval is subject to receipt of the required letter from the Assessor showing the property value and estimated taxes. This motion was unanimously approved.

Mr. Malcolm opened the meeting for discussion with Aquaria.

Mr. Malcolm questioned flushing the line and dechlorinating the water that is being flushed. Ms McEnroe stated that water is being run at various times.

The Commission agreed to tour the plant in September.

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Mr. Rowley noted that the 100 point check on the new meter program is beginning, both antennas are up and the computers are on order

Mr. Malcolm requested a report from the **Water Systems Manager. Mr. Creedon reported** on the flows stating that water usage was lower than previous years with the Silver Lake level being only -20 inches there is no need to have the Aquaria line activated. The report also notes that we had a continuous hard to locate leak that was repaired on the 2nd which was on ledge rock that did not allow the water to rise through the road.

Mr. Thoreson stated that they are reviewing a new 2 year look back procedure to address estimated bills

The Commission decided that the next meeting would be on September 22nd.

Mr. Jordan noted that there were questions/comments in the audit on the following items: a possible water/sewer commission and suggested that a study be done on this; frequency of billing; the 6 or more estimated bills, and training

Mr. Jordan moved to adjourn. Meeting adjourned at 10:47 A.M.

Respectfully submitted:

Brian M. Creedon,
Water Systems Manager

Certified by:

Brian M. Creedon
Water Systems Manager
Clerk of the Commission