

# WATER ADVISORY BOARD



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## Water Advisory Board Meeting Minutes of September 30, 2010

In attendance: Chairman Frank E. French Jr., Clerk Joseph F. Greene, Member William Shea, DPW Director Peter J. Castanino, Assistant DPW Director Michael Santoro, Water Manager Michael Bishop, Water Operations Manager Dominic DeSalvatore, DPW Business Manager Judi Carmody, Customers Ms. Dorothy DeRoche & son, Mrs. Arrigo's husband and Ms. Seta Vasilescu.

1. Chairman French called the meeting to order at 8:30 am.
2. Ms. DeRoche pled her case to the Board; Water Manager Bishop explained the issue with the water /sewer bill #488407 from April 30, 2010 for 9-11 Farm Road. The customer is asking for a one time water adjustment. There was a brief discussion about this request to grant relief to this customer as requested.  
Mr. Greene made a motion to table this request for their next meeting.  
Seconded by Mr. Shea.  
Voted unanimously.
3. Mrs. Arrigo's husband pled his wife's case to the Board; Water Manager Bishop explained the issue with the water /sewer bills #s 469642, 310404, 351302, 389741, 432448, 473358, 514410 for the past two years for 5-7 Winslow Road. The customer is asking for a one time water adjustment. There was a brief discussion about this request to grant relief to this customer as requested.  
Chairman French made a motion to table this request for their next meeting.  
Seconded by Mr. Shea.  
Voted unanimously.
4. Ms. Vasilescu expressed her concern about the new water and sewer rates that were implemented on July 1, 2010. She was upset that the irrigation rates were higher than the regular water rate; Director Castanino explained the new rate system and the reasons behind the structure. Ms. Vasilescu requested the board look into demand billing for the irrigation accounts. The board asked that Ms. Vasilescu be sent a letter from the DPW thanking her for her input and suggestions.
5. Water Manager Bishop explained the issue with the water /sewer bill #501307 from May 31, 2010 for 119 -121 Lewis Road. The customer is asking for a one time water and sewer adjustment.  
There was a brief discussion about this request to grant relief to this customer as requested.  
Chairman French made a motion of a one time water and sewer adjustment based on the average usage for the prior two similar quarters.  
Seconded by Mr. Shea.  
Voted unanimously.

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6. Water Manager Bishop explained the issue with 143 Chilton Street, the customer has not received her bill yet but did have a leak. The customer requesting a one time water and sewer adjustment.  
Mr. Greene made a motion to table this request for their next meeting.  
Seconded by Mr. Shea.  
Voted unanimously.
7. Water Manager Bishop explained the issue with the water /sewer bill #528801 from July 30, 2010 for 137 Chilton Street. The customer is asking for a one time water adjustment. There was a brief discussion about this request to grant relief to this customer as requested.  
Mr. Greene made a motion of a one time water only adjustment based on the average usage for the prior two similar quarters.  
Seconded by Mr. Shea.  
Voted unanimously.
8. Mr. Shea made a motion to approve the meeting minutes of May 6, 2010.  
Seconded by Mr. Greene.  
Voted unanimously.
9. Mr. Shea made a motion to approve the meeting minutes of June 29, 2010.  
Seconded by Chairman French.  
Voted unanimously.
10. Director Castanino updated the board about the vacant Working Foreman's position, stating that there was an internal candidate and they will be conducting interviews in the near future to fill this position.
11. Mr. Bishop updated the board on the Trapelo Road/Belmont Street water main construction project stating that the job is going well, they are ahead of schedule and under budget.
12. Director Castanino discussed the FY11 water main improvement program goals with the board.
13. Chairman French motioned to adjourn the meeting at 10:25 am.  
Seconded by Mr. Shea  
Voted Unanimously.

  
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