TRI TOWN BOARD
of Water Commissioners
Braintree, Holbrook, Randolph

MINUTES

October 21, 2019

Present: Joseph C. Sullivan, Chair, Town of Braintree, Bill Alexopolous, Town of Randolph, Tim Gordon, Town of Holbrook.

In attendance: Jim Arsenault, Peter Berry, Stephen DeFrancesco, Lou Dutton, Paul Gabriel, Helen Gordon, Brian Howard, Robyn LaFrance, Peter Mello, Chris Pellitteri, Keith Nastasia, Rhonda Pogodzienski, Lorraine See, Nicole Taub and Susan Montgomery Wright.

Mayor Sullivan opened the meeting at 1:20 pm.

Jim Arsenault provided Board members with a draft copy of a Drinking Water Advisory letter from the Braintree Water & Sewer Department, concerning PFAS testing.

There was some brief discussion concerning PFAS testing and the Board decided they would send a letter of invite to a representative from MassDEP to attend the next Tri Town meeting to provide clarification on what exactly communities are being asked to do. Helen Gordon stated that she will send the letter to the MassDEP official on behalf of the Tri Town Board. It was also agreed that if a public statement concerning PFAS is necessary it will be a joint statement from all three communities.

MOTION: by Tim Gordon to invite a commissioner from the Massachusetts Department of Environmental Protection (MassDEP) to the next meeting
SECOND: Bill Alexopolous
VOTE: unanimous

The next meeting was scheduled for Thursday, November 7, 2019 at 1:00PM at Braintree Town Hall.

Presentation and discussion of draft special act and joint powers agreement for consideration and any action related thereto: Nicole Taub, Peter Berry, Peter Mello

- Nicole Taub introduced Peter Mello and Peter Berry and provided draft copies of the legislation titled An Act Establishing The Tri Town Water District.
- Peter Berry reviewed the draft legislation in detail and there was some discussion and editing.
Mayor Sullivan explained that the draft legislation would be refined and the Board will vote on it at the November 7th meeting.

Other:
Mayor Sullivan asked if there was any other topic to discuss that was not anticipated, and Sue Montgomery Wright stated that she would like to see a resolution to a long standing issue with the Joint Water Board that concerns a MassDEP and EPA restriction on particular area of land in Holbrook. The Board agreed that this issue would be looked into and followed up on.

Minutes:
- The minutes of the September 26 and October 3, 2019 meetings were reviewed by the Board.
- Mayor Sullivan asked to hold the minutes of October 3, 2019 until the next meeting.

MOTION: by Tim Gordon to accept the minutes of September 26, 2019
SECOND: Bill Alexopolous
VOTE: unanimous

The next meeting was scheduled for Thursday, November 7, 2019 at 1pm at Braintree Town Hall. The meeting adjourned at 2 pm.

Respectfully submitted,
Robyn LaFrance
Recording Secretary