

TRI TOWN BOARD
of Water Commissioners
Braintree, Holbrook, Randolph

MINUTES

December 4, 2019

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

In attendance: Jim Arsenault, Stephen DeFrancesco, Ben Fehan, Paul Gabriel, Helen Gordon, Brian Howard, Robyn LaFrance, Chris Pellitteri, Keith Nastasia, Rhonda Pogodzienski, Lorraine See, Ed Spellman.

Mayor Sullivan opened the meeting at 3:03 pm.

Minutes: The minutes of the November 7 and November 14, 2019 meetings were reviewed and accepted.

MOTION: by Tim Gordon to accept the minutes of November 7, 2019 as presented

SECOND: by Bill Alexopolous

VOTE: unanimous

MOTION: by Bill Alexopolous to accept the minutes of November 14, 2019 as presented

SECOND: by Tim Gordon

VOTE: unanimous

Massachusetts Historical Commission Letter: Helen Gordon

- Helen Gordon explained that Environmental Partners prepared and sent a response letter to the Commonwealth of Massachusetts Historical Commission correspondence dated November 13, 2019. Helen shared the response letter addressed to Edward L. Bell, Deputy State Historic Preservation Officer.
- Helen Gordon stated that there is no indication that the state will recommend the site for historic preservation.

PFAS Update: Helen Gordon

- Helen Gordon explained the PFAS sampling process, dosing rate, and jar testing, to maintain consistent levels below 20 ppt. There was a brief discussion and Helen stated that Tri Town has been very pro-active.

Mayor Sullivan thanked everyone who attended the November 7 meeting with MassDEP. Mayor expressed that the Tri Town board was concerned about putting out a PFAS water advisory notice since the water supply is in compliance, but they wanted to comply with MassDEP.

Mayor stated that he wished MassDEP would give the same effort and be as vigilant on the issue of recycling as they are doing with PFAS. Mayor further expressed the challenge and cost of the recycling program. There was a brief discussion on this subject.

Support for special legislation:

- Mayor Sullivan thanked his colleagues and stated that the Town of Randolph approved the special legislation this past week, Braintree approved last night, and the Town of Holbrook approved it last week. There was a brief discussion about collecting the certified copies from each community.

Other:

Mayor Sullivan asked for a quick update from Environmental Partners.

- Helen Gordon stated that they are starting the scope of work and budget discussions with AECOM and will be prepared for the board to vote at the next meeting.

Mayor Sullivan scheduled the next meeting, his last Tri Town meeting, for Tuesday, December 17, 2019 at 2:00 PM at Braintree Town Hall. The agenda was discussed as including:

1. PFAS update
2. Certifications on special legislation
3. Designer scope of work and budget

MOTION: by Tim Gordon to adjourn the meeting at 3:30PM

SECOND: by Bill Alexopolous

VOTE: unanimous

Respectfully submitted,

Robyn LaFrance

Recording Secretary