

Tri-Town Monthly Report

Summary of Notable Activities and Reports from the August 27, 2026, BCWA Monthly Meeting

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1. Annual Financial Audit: A presentation of the annual financial audit was made by our auditors, CBIZ CPAs. The results are a so-called “clean audit,” i.e. CBIZ was able to complete an independent audit using US Generally Accepted Auditing Standards (GAAS) which indicates that the BCWA financial representations, statements, management and accounting practices are in proper order. A copy of the audit is available in the BCWA's Annual Report (available at www.bcwari.com or on request). A copy of the presentation is also available on the BCWA website.

2. Connection to the Pawtucket Water Supply System Project

- a. As reported previously, RIDOT has a road resurfacing project on Pawtucket Avenue that shares the same route as the BCWA proposed water lines leading to the connection with the Pawtucket system. Coordinating these two projects could have an impact on the costs for this 3,700-foot section of BCWA pipe and RIDOT resurfacing project. The Executive Director contacted RIDOT to attempt to properly sequence these projects so that the BCWA does not have to later repave the proposed RIDOT paving. The RIDOT rejected our request.

At its last meeting, the BCWA Board expressed “significant concern” about RIDOT's decision to move forward with their road project while we have a water project that will subsequently reopen that same road. The Executive Director sent a letter to RIDOT requesting re-consideration and outlining the BCWA Board's concerns. RIDOT again rejected our request, this time citing concerns based on their “historical” experiences with “multiple municipal projects have colored this decision more than any lack of confidence in Bristol Water”. We are very disappointed in this rejection for coordination of the project since having both agencies working together could have resulted in monetary savings for both.

- b. A RIDEM wetlands permit for the Ten-Mile River bridge crossing was issued.

3. Phase II Plant Buildings Demolition: A.A. Wrecking Co. Inc. was awarded a contract in June. An asbestos removal plan has been approved by RIDOH. A pre-construction meeting was held in August. Demolition on the main building is expected to start soon. Regarding the smaller “Old Station” building, action was taken on this by the Board noted in section 4 of this report.

4. Shad Factory Pipeline Project:

- a. Pare Corporation has begun permit application filing for this project.

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5. Board Actions

- a. **Operations Building Design:** Based on discussions at a Properties Committee meeting, the Board approved modifications to the proposed design of the building. The primary changes include downsizing the width of the overhead doors and for the design team to review adding a drive-thru bay without increasing the size of the building.
- b. **Public Request for Proposals for the Old Station Building:** (Small brick building on Child St) – There appears to be renewed interest in the reuse of the Old Station Building. After considerable discussion weighing the potential benefits and drawbacks of re-issuing a Request for Proposals for the use/reuse of this building, the Board approved the development of a new RFP to be presented to the Board for consideration at the next meeting.
- c. **Disposition of BCWA Swansea Property:** Over the last year, the BCWA Properties Committee has been reviewing the BCWA property holdings. At the same time, discussions were held with Swansea Water District (SWD) officials about BCWA property which includes the Warren Reservoir in Swansea. This property also includes the dam that creates the Warren Reservoir which regulates flow to the former Kickemuit Reservoir on Child Street in Warren. There is presently no use of this property or the impounded water by the BCWA. Recently, a letter was received from the SWD making an offer to acquire the BCWA property. The Board approved an offer with conditions which will be presented to the SWD.

6. Water System Improvements

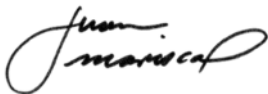
- a. **Emergency Repair** — A water main break occurred at the corner of Fales and Clifton Roads during the month. BCWA crews responded and quickly made the necessary repairs to the pipe.
- b. **Capital Improvement Projects**
 - **Child Street & Metacom Avenue, Warren** — Work is on-going on this project. Cleaning of the water line on Metacom between Child Street and Kickemuit will be started soon.
 - **Gooding Avenue/Naomi Drive, Bristol** — Milling and overlayment of these streets affected by the project was completed.
- c. **Lead Service Line Replacement Program** – With assistance from RIDOH and its contractor, “the “120 Water and Rural Water Association” water utilities continues to perform outreach activity to address potential private lead water services.

7. Next Scheduled Meeting —At BCWA Offices 450 Child Street, Warren.

- **5:00PM, Thursday September 24, 2026, Monthly Board Meeting**

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Respectfully submitted,



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