

## Tri-Town Monthly Report To Bristol, Barrington & Warren Town Councils

## Summary of Notable Activities and Reports from the August 29, 2024, BCWA Board of Directors Meeting

For detailed information on any of these subjects presented herein, please go to the BCWA website at www.bcwari.com. Minutes and videos of all Board meetings are archived on the website.

- 1. The Board meeting opened by acknowledging the passing of George Champlin, who served as a BCWA Board member for eight years representing the Town of Barrington. Mr. Champlin was a very active member of the Board Finance Committee. A moment of silence was observed to honor Mr. Champlin and his numerous contributions to the BCWA. His participation and advice to the BCWA will be missed.
- 2. Connection to the Pawtucket Water Supply System Project
  - a. Water Purchase Contract: At the July Board meeting, Attorney Sandy Mack presented a draft contract with the City of Pawtucket/Pawtucket Water Supply Board. The Board had many suggestions for inclusion or modification of the draft contract which were presented to the City and the PaWSB.

At the August 29th Board meeting, Attorney Mack reported that she had discussed the BCWA Board comments with City representatives and resolved issues identified in the original draft. After some discussion regarding bond length terms and contract lengths and the need for uniformity of both, the Board approved the revised draft contract for submittal to the City.

- **b. Design and Permitting:** We are waiting for comments from the City of East Providence on the 60% design plans.
- **3. Water Treatment Plant Buildings Demolition:** An architectural analysis of the old Station Structure will be the subject of a meeting of the BCWA Properties Committee to be scheduled in the near future.
- 4. Upper and Lower Kickemuit Dams Removal Project: Work on the Upper Dam removal is expected to be completed in September. Work on the Lower Dan was completed.
- 5. 2024 Water Distribution Projects: Work continues on the cleaning and lining projects on Chachapacasset Road, Barrington and State Street in Bristol.
- 6. Major Purchases and Contracts: In accordance with the BCWA purchasing policy, the Executive Director entered into an agreement with CorrTech, Inc. to provide corrosion analysis

of a pipe on Gooding Avenue (Bristol) that ruptured following the transition from previously low pressure service to the new high pressure service. CorrTech is a sole source provider of this type of service. BCWA staff will work closely with CorrTech.

- 7. Lead Service Line Replacement Program: Staff continue to meet with customers regarding projects on their property. Three private connection projects have been completed by the BCWA contractor. The purpose of this project (for which BCWA can provide no-interest financing) is to remove lead-based water lines, thereby removing a potential health hazard.
- 8. Next Meeting: Thursday, September 26, 2024, at 5:00pm. BCWA Offices 450 Child Street, Warren.

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Respectfully submitted,

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