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April 29, 2022

To: Tri-Town Councils  
Cc: BCWA Directors, Tri-Town State Senators and Representatives, and Key Staff  
Subj: Monthly Report for May Town Council Meetings

Council Members,

Following are highlights and actions taken during April Meetings:

Directors awarded several contracts:

\*Annual Permanent Paving Contract to International Paving Corporation for \$158,600.

\*Annual Maintenance & Service Work Contract to JML Excavation Inc. for \$203,685. *These Annual Contracts identify contractors and costs based on project projections. Actual purchase orders are issued as projects are conducted.*

\*Administrative Building HVAC repair to Automatic Temperature Controls, Inc. for \$16,604 plus a contingency of 20% for a not to exceed cost of \$19,925.

\*Contract Addendum for Construction Administration Services on Metacom Avenue Water Main Upgrades to Pare Corporation for a not to exceed cost of \$17,640.

Directors updated the 2008 Security Deposits for rental customers from \$120 to \$165 (the average quarterly water bill) and for businesses from \$360 to \$330 (2 x the average quarterly water bill) with the proviso that annual adjustments be made reflecting any changes in water rates.

Authority Counsel Joseph Keough confirmed the settlement of the RIDEM Notice of Violation at \$8,000 instead of their original levy of \$25,000. *This violation dates back several years when we dug up the parking lot in Providence where our cross-bay pipeline emerges in search of a leak, that was ultimately determined to be at 1800 feet along the pipeline under the Bay. The irony is that the leak was pure water that became contaminated as it emerged through the fill that was beneath the parking lot.*

A presentation was given on the current status of our 7-year effort to implement a Geographic Information System (GIS). Such system confirms the idea that a picture is worth a thousand words. Data such as our 230+ miles of water main pipe size, material, age (dates of installation or repairs), and 18,000 meters and valves (types, makes, sizes, locations, etc.) can be combined and graphically displayed. Thus the location of clusters of issues become immediately apparent and allow predictions of what may likely happen in the future unless appropriate actions are taken. With historical data now entered, all new actions are automatically added when field or contractor personnel complete tasks and report such via computer. The efficacy of our GIS has enabled the Authority to more accurately plan our project expenditures in the most cost-saving manner.

As usual, please note that this report contains personal views of actions and considerations and is not an official publication of the BCWA.

Respectfully submitted,

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