



## Tri-Town Monthly Report

### Summary of Notable Activities and Reports from the May 27, 2026, BCWA Annual Meeting and May 27, 2026, BCWA Monthly Meeting

For detailed information on any of these subjects presented herein, please go to the BCWA website at [www.bcwari.com](http://www.bcwari.com) or contact the BCWA. Minutes and videos of all Board meetings are archived on the website.

## BCWA Annual Meeting

1. **Science Fair Awards** – BCWA has participated in the RI State Science Fair for many years. We present awards to students from Bristol County whose projects relate to or impact water and the environment. After hearing the students make eloquent and detailed commentary on their projects, the following students were presented with awards for their outstanding science projects. Board members were very much impressed with their working and thinking.

### Junior Division

- **Joey Kim** of Barrington Middle School
- **Anton Chen** of Barrington Middle School

### Senior Division

- **Alex Barowy** of Mt. Hope High School
- **Liam Gagner & Sara Nencka (team)** of Mt. Hope High School

2. **Election of BCWA Officers:**

- Juan Mariscal of Bristol, Chairman
- Thomas Kraig of Barrington, Vice-Chairman
- Christopher Stanley of Warren, Treasurer/Secretary

3. **Appointments to Committees** – Frank Alfano of Warren was appointed to the Procedures & Policies Committee. The membership of all other committees remained the same.

## BCWA Monthly Board Meeting

1. **Connection to the Pawtucket Water Supply System Project**

- a. Design and permitting activities continue. Meetings have been scheduled with permitting agencies to further advance the design of the facilities. Of particular note is the need for additional coordination with the RIDOT regarding our project and the I-195 Washington Bridge project. Also,

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work scheduled by RIDOT could result in a possible acceleration of the timing of a portion of the BCWA's work. Additional discussions with RIDOT are planned.

- b. Owner Project Management (OPM) Services for this project. (see Board Approvals herein)

### 2. Board Approvals

- a. **Schematic Design Plans for the Proposed Operations Building** – The design is currently at the 30% completion level. The Board approved moving the design to the 60% stage and addressing several issues raised by the Properties Committee. These include; further review on adding additional overhead doors along with the size and weight of them, further review of solar power generation on the building or off-site generation, further review on the use of metal panels for the exterior versus other options
- b. **Annual Maintenance and Service Work Contracts** – A bid was awarded to JML Excavation who has previously provided similar services for the BCWA. The award was for \$311,940.
- c. **Annual Water Main and Appurtenances Stock Materials Contracts** – These are issued for specific materials and award for each material to the low bidder. This year's selected vendors include E. J. Prescott, Core and Main, Ferguson Waterworks, Hoadley & Sons and the Stiles Company.
- d. **Shad Factory Pipeline Removal Funding Commitment** – This pipeline formerly transferred water from Rehoboth to the former BCWA treatment facility and is no longer functional. It is located in the salt marsh along the Palmer River. The pipeline is in very poor condition and could be broken apart due to a storm. The plan is to remove the above ground sections. BCWA is working with Save The Bay to secure funding for this project. The Board committed funding of up to \$1.5 million towards a possible RIDEM Resilience Fund grant of \$350,000.
- e. **Pawtucket Pipeline Owner Project Management Services** – In response to a Request for Proposals, the Board approved a contract with the partnership of Pare Corporation and Stantec Consulting Services for a not-to-exceed amount of \$588,100. These services working with the BCWA include design plan reviews, cost estimates evaluations, procurement strategies, funding compliance review, final design and construction plan reviews and bidding phase services.

### 3. Water System Improvements

- a. **2027 Capital Improvement Program — Child Street, Warren:** A preconstruction meeting was held with Boyle & Fogarty Construction which will start construction work on the water system between Metacom Avenue and Serpentine Road at the beginning of June 2026.
- b. **Hydrant Flushing** — Spring flushing of the water systems was completed. Flushing will also be repeated in the Fall.
- c. **Lead Service Line Replacement Program** — The project continues. With assistance from the RI DOH and its contractor, the "120 Water and Rural Water Association", water utilities are required to validate 20% of the presumed non-lead private service lines. To date, 96 services have been validated as being non-lead services (35 additional from last month).

### 4. BCWA Properties

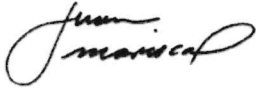
- a. **BCWA NEW Operations Building** — See above.
- b. **The BCWA Swansea Properties** — Peter Scotti and Associates completed its appraisal reports on some specific BCWA properties in Swansea. The Properties Committee reviewed the reports and discussions will be scheduled with Swansea officials.

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5. **Former Upper Kickemuit Dam Area Well Testing** — Additional private well testing was done during the month with 9 out of the 12 property owners having participated in the well testing. No abnormal changes have been observed.
6. **Next Meeting** — At BCWA Offices, 450 Child Street, Warren.
  - **5:00PM, WEDNESDAY, JUNE 24, 2026**, Monthly Meeting of Board (change approved at meeting)

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Respectfully submitted,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Juan Mariscal". The signature is written in a cursive, flowing style.

Juan Mariscal, Chairman, BCWA