



Tri-Town Monthly Report
Summary of Notable Activities and Reports
from the
February 26, 2026, BCWA Meeting

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- 1. Connection to the Pawtucket Water Supply System Project /Presentation & Report from The Beta Group** — The design continues. Nicholas Corvello, Vice President of the Beta Group, provided a written update for the design permitting schedule. It is expected that biddable plans and specifications for the project will be available by the end of the year.
- 2. Water System Improvements**
 - a. Water System Breaks** — Water main breaks continue to occur due to the cold weather. Since the beginning of the year, there have been 29 main breaks. Six breaks occurred virtually simultaneously. BCWA crews responded to all breaks quickly and efficiently minimizing system down times. Affected residential and business customers were notified. Immediate attention given to these incidents and repairs were made regardless of time of day or day of the week, including on Super Bowl Sunday. The Board expressed its sincerest appreciation for all staff efforts to attend to these emergencies.
 - b. Lead Service Line Replacement Program** — A new project has been initiated as required by regulations. With assistance from the RI DOH and its contractor, the “120 Water and Rural Water Association” (120 Water Association), water utilities are required to validate 20% of the presumed non-lead private service lines. BCWA has 1,902 private lines presumed to be non-lead. Notices are being sent to 400 customers in this category asking the customer to allow an inspection of their services or for them to perform their own inspection.
 - c. 2027 Capital Improvement Program** — A Request for Proposals was issued on February 17. A pre-bid meeting was held on February 19. Proposals are due on March 12. This work in Warren (on Child Street, Metacom Avenue and Kickemuit Road) includes cleaning and lining of watermains, renewal of water services in the area as well as installation of related water system improvements.
- 3. BCWA Properties**
 - a. BCWA Operations Building** — Pare Corporation has initiated work to complete architectural and engineering design to the “30% Design” level for the 18,400 square foot building and associated site improvements and utilities. Plans to demolish the former water treatment plant building are also under development.
 - b. BCWA Swansea Properties** — Quotes have been requested from three appraisal firms listed on the State Master Price Agreement to conduct appraisals on BCWA-owned land in Swansea.
- 4. Former Upper Kickemuit Dam Area Well Testing** — Follow-up well testing was completed for the six properties that agreed to participate. Additional outreach will be done to those property owners that have not yet participated.

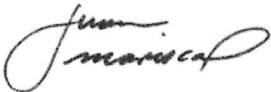
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5. **Fountain Avenue (Barrington) Water Tank** — As previously reported, a hydraulic modeling of the water system indicated that this Barrington Water Tank does not provide any functional benefit to the water system. An application was made to the RI Department of Health to physically disconnect it from the system.
6. **Purchase Approvals**
 - a. John Deere Backhoe with a trade-in of a 12-year-old backhoe
 - b. Technology Upgrades
 - Conference room AV equipment
 - Five office computers
7. **Financial Management** — The BCWA Fiscal Year ends on February 28. Revenues and expenses through January 2026 are in line with expectations. For the month of January, however, revenues were up due to higher level of water consumption, while at the same time, expenses were down.

Annual total net “write-offs” (uncollectibles) to revenues for the fiscal year is 0.23% (\$43,089.91 out of \$18,786,098 in billings).
8. **Mt. Hope High School Science Fair** — As has been the tradition, BCWA staff acted as judges at the high school science fair. BCWA awards cash prizes for local winners at the State Science Fair.
9. **Next Meeting** — At BCWA Offices 450 Child Street, Warren.
 - 5:00PM, Thursday March 26, 2026, Monthly Meeting of Board

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Respectfully submitted,



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