



WATER RESOURCES ADVISORY COMMITTEE

Meeting Minutes
January 26, 2022
7:00 PM
Virtual Meeting

Present: Barry Rosen, Matthew Mostoller, Ronald Parenti, Ron Beck, and Mike Geis

Chairperson: Ron Beck

Clerk: Matthew Mostoller

Others in Attendance: Himaja Nagireddy (Select Board Liaison) and Kim Kastens

1. Opening

Chair Ron Beck opened the meeting at 7:03 PM.

2. Regular Business

- A. Public Remarks/Comments – No comments from the public.
- B. Review Minutes – Minutes from the November 10, 2021 meeting were reviewed and approved as amended on a motion by Ron Beck and seconded by Ron Parenti. A roll call vote was taken with 4 ayes and 1 abstention by Mike Geis. Minutes from the December 1, 2021 meeting were reviewed and approved as amended on a motion by Ron Beck and seconded by Barry Rosen. A roll call vote was taken with 5 ayes. Minutes from the December 9, 2021 meeting were reviewed and approved as amended on a motion by Ron Beck and seconded by Ron Parenti. A roll call vote was taken with 5 ayes.
- C. Next Steps and Assignments for Water Study – Himaja Nagireddy needed to leave the meeting early and wanted to convey information from the Town Manager to the committee relative to agenda item 5. Town staff is developing a scope of work for the Great Road wastewater study and proposes adding the water study on to this scope as a stand alone item. The committee has some concerns about this proposal regarding funding, direction of the work, and drafting of the scope. It was determined that a contingent of WRAC members would request to meet with the Town Manager and understand the proposal. Ron Beck, Mike Geis, and Matthew Mostoller will coordinate a time to meet with the Town Manager prior to the next meeting.
- D. Discussion of Membership and Officers for 2022 – Ron Beck suggested the recruitment of active associate members is important at this time given that we are finally undertaking the water study. The committee discussed changing officers with Matthew Mostoller requesting to step back from clerk as he has been serving in this capacity since 2019. He provided a brief overview of the duties to the other members. Matthew Mostoller moved and Barry Rosen seconded the nomination of officers for the coming year as follows: Ron Beck and Mike Geis, co-chairs, and Ron Parenti clerk. A roll call vote was taken with 5 ayes.



- E. Review of Meeting with Select Board on 12/20/21 – Ron Beck recapped the meeting. Overall it went well with a few concerns noted about PFAS, the impact of waste water on drinking water, and priorities. The committee received clarification of funding availability and the Select Board’s support, even though it was a 4-1 vote to approve the requested project scope. Discussion occurred regarding additional funding sources for water planning. As noted earlier in the meeting, a group will meet with the Town Manager to discuss moving the request for proposals forward. Once this occurs, we can discuss what individual committee members will need to undertake.
- F. Annual Report – Ron Parenti drafted an annual report for the committee to submit for inclusion in the Town report. It has been several years since we submitted a report, and this year seems to be a particularly important one to have on record. On a motion by Ron Beck and seconded by Barry Rosen, the report was accepted by a unanimous roll call vote.

3. **Adjournment**

On a motion by Barry Rosen and seconded by Matthew Mostoller, the meeting was adjourned at 9:01 PM by a unanimous roll call vote.