

A meeting of the Town of Barnstable's Barnstable Municipal Water Supply Board was held on July 22, 2025, at 5:00 PM remotely via ZOOM (as posted per instructions on the agenda) - "The July 22, 2025, meeting of the Barnstable Municipal Water Supply Board shall be conducted remotely and shall be physically closed to the public. Alternative public access shall be provided as set forth below.

ALTERNATIVE PUBLIC ACCESS

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Meeting ID: 810 9681 3234, US Toll-free 1-888-475-4499

In attendance were: Sam Wilson, Louise O'Neil, Timothy Stump, Patrick Ehart and Carlos Barbosa.

Staff present: Hans Keijser, Supervisor, Water Supply Division and Tyler Gilman, P.E., Project Manager.

Also present: Kevin Sampson from Veolia and Tribekah Jordan, WCAI.

A quorum being present, Chair Wilson called the meeting to order at 5:05 PM.

Chair Wilson states, "This meeting is being recorded and broadcast on the Town of Barnstable's Government Access Channel. In accordance with Massachusetts General Laws Chapter 30A, Section 20, the Chair must inquire whether anyone else is recording this meeting and, if so, to please make their presence known."

Tribekah Jordan, WCAI spoke-up and mentioned that she was recording the meeting.

A motion was made and seconded to approve the agenda as amended with the addition of the date: Tuesday, August 5th to the: Hyannis Port Community, water supply informational session agenda item.

ROLL CALL VOTE: YES: Wilson, O'Neil, Stump, Ehart, Barbosa. The Agenda is approved as amended.

A motion was made and seconded to approve the 6/17/25 meeting minutes as amended stating the correction of board members last name as Stump and not Trump.

ROLL CALL VOTE: YES: Wilson, O'Neil, Stump, Ehart, Barbosa. The 6/17/25 meeting minutes are approved as amended.

Operations Report –

Sampson informs the board about the following distribution tasks, contract obligations for preventative maintenance, distribution issues and water main breaks that were addressed and repaired in the month of June:

- A new section of water main within the Mary Dunn Bike Path project was filled and is in service.
- A communication antenna was re-positioned at the Straightway Treatment Plant which was misaligned due to windy weather the previous day.
- An informational training session was given to Veolia staff on new features installed on the water systems SCADA system. All employees have been assigned their own, unique sign-in parameters. Wilson asks if certain permissions can be assigned to each employee; Sampson states, "yes".
- A 1-inch service was replaced at the #19 Holiday Lane location.
- A customer at #76 Pine Avenue called and reported no-water at the residence. Sediment was found to have clogged the meter. A new meter was installed, lines were flushed, and water was restored.
- Service inspections were completed at: #281 Ocean Street and #120 Harbor Bluff Drive.
- A water main break was repaired at #333 Iyannough Road where the 8-inch water main was replaced with 10' of new main.

- A water main break caused by a contractor working in the area of Yarmouth Road and Route 28 was repaired.
- A curb stop was repaired at #42 Pitcher's Way.

Sampson informs the board that the deliverables for FY 2025 are 100% completed. The board thanks and commends Veolia and staff for their quick and attentive response and resolve of the water main break before the holiday weekend. Wilson and O'Neil state that the revenues look good and thank Sampson and staff for a great job.

All required monthly reports and sampling were completed and submitted.

Capital project update by Matthew Wrobel, Senior Project Manager (handout dated July 22, 2025, given) – (Gilman presenting for Wrobel) Gilman reviews the following projects and progress as follows:

1. New well exploration program, update – No change since last meeting.
2. Pilot testing project Mary Dunn & Airport wells – No change since last meeting.
3. New Straightway Water Treatment Facility (WTF) and Replacement of the Hyannis Port & Simmons Pond wells – Gilman reports that Conservation Restriction Request letters were sent out by DPW to all property owners withing the Hyannis Port well's 400' Zone 1 buffer zone per DEP requirements; he states no response has yet to be received from those owners. It is stated that the supplemental \$11.5M request was presented and approved by town council on 7/17/2025. Wilson asks if a break-ground date has been determined yet; Gilman refers to Keijser; Keijser states either September or October.
4. Lead Service Line Replacement – Gilman reports that Kleinfelder will be submitting an application for additional SRF funding for this project for 2026 to Mass DEP. He states that the Phase II report is under review with DPW/HWS and upon approval; will be presented by Kleinfelder to the board in a future meeting. He also states how Kleinfelder is also working with the town's GIS department to roll out an interactive map allowing customers to learn about their service line's material status.
5. Route 28 / Yarmouth Road project – No change since last meeting.
6. Route 28 East sewer expansion project, water main extension – No change since last meeting. Wilson requests that this item be removed from future reports due to completion. Gilman concurs.
7. Ocean Street Water Main – DPW staff is currently revising project plans and specifications relative to the splash pad installation at the Kalmus Beach parking lot in response of comments received at the on-site meeting on 7/16/2025.
8. Mary Dunn 4 well building – Gilman reports that power has been delivered to the building, binder has been installed for the driveway, and fencing has been installed with the gate being operational. He also states that contract extensions are under review for both the engineer and contractor with a project completion for fall 2025. Wilson asks if this will be in order by next month; Gilman states, "yes", with a new contract end date for the end of the year.
9. Mary Dunn 16" Transmission Main – Gilman reports that the bid target date is delayed to June, award in summer and start construction in the fall 2025. He states that a pre-bid meeting was held on 7/11/2025, with one bidder in attendance who elected a project site visit.
10. Mary Dunn Tank #1 Rehabilitation – Gilman states that contactor has submitted signed acceptance form and is routing through the town for execution. He states that the design engineer is currently processing a contract amendment to retain additional services for construction administration and full-time representation services. Wilson asks if this is still projected to kick-off in the fall/winter; Gilman states, "yes".
11. Crocker Street Water Main Replacement – Gilman states that an IFB was issued, pre-bid meeting held on 7/11/2025 with one bidder in attendance and elected a project site visit.

Additional capital funding request for the new Straightway Treatment Plant project, 11.5M Town Council meeting on Thursday, July 17th at 6:00PM, public hearing and vote – Wilson explains and summarizes why the PFAS settlement monies will go towards the additional funding needed. He states that town council has approved the additional 11.5M, enabling this project to proceed, stating he's glad that their moving forward to providing clean water. Barbosa asks if this is to clean the water; Wilson explains the treatment plant processes. Barbosa suggests doing more public relations relative to these efforts, possibly by bill notation. Wilson asks Keijser if an insert could accompany billing statements; Keijser states he will look into it.

Reorganization of the Board – The board discusses organization of the water board. Wilson expresses his interest in retaining the position of chair; and suggests retaining O'Neil as vice-chair. All board members are in agreement.

A motion was made and seconded to nominate Wilson to retain the position of Chairperson, and O'Neil to retain the position of Vice-Chairperson of the Barnstable Municipal Water Supply Board.

ROLL CALL VOTE: YES: O'Neil, Stump, Ehart, Wilson and Barbosa Wilson will retain the position of Chairperson and O'Neil will retain the position of Vice-Chairperson of the Barnstable Municipal Water Supply Board.

Operating budget FY26, Town Council meeting on Thursday, June 26th at 6:00PM, public hearing & vote – Keijser states that the Operating budget was approved and their all set for FY 2026. Keijser explains budget process and efforts needed. Barbosa asks what happens in the case of emergencies; Keijser explains the Operating Capital portion of the Operating budget which funds \$160,000/yr for immediate emergencies, expressing that the amount is starting to get tight to cover costs. He also explains the process of emergencies where more funding (over the \$160,000 available) is needed, expressing how town council has been supportive (using the PFAS remediation situation as an example). O'Neil asks if Veolia pays for their employee training; Keijser states, "yes".

Water Quality Report 2024, follow-up – Keijser states that the report was distributed to the board, town entities and customers, posted in town hall, town website and other town buildings and sent "Certified" to the Mass DEP (Department of Environmental Protection).

State of Water Supply Conservation, drought status, follow-up – Keijser informs the board that Cape Cod has dropped down to a Level 1 Drought status, stating that the State of Water Conservation measures can be lifted. He adds that if the board votes to lift the restrictions, he will route and post to proper authorities. The board discusses.

A motion was made and seconded to lift the State of Water Conservation restrictions.

ROLL CALL VOTE: YES: Wilson, O'Neil, Stump, Ehart and Barbosa. The State of Water Conservation restrictions is lifted.

DPW PFAS meeting, PFAS and the Hyannis Water Supply: Challenges and Solutions, follow-up – Keijser states how the town representatives gave a good presentation; expressing that a lot of clarity was given. He explains how the Barnstable County will be installing a carbon "wall" before the water gets to the Mary Dunn wells and states that the airport is currently doing testing and is also looking into the possibility of a carbon wall to protect those wells. O'Neil asks if the presentation was taped so others can watch it and if it will be available on the town website and Wilson asks if it can be put on the board's website (all board members in agreement); Keijser is not sure but will find out. Wilson informs the board that the DPW is offering a PFAS meeting about the Hyannis Water Supply. Wilson, O'Neil and Keijser will be present at the meeting.

Hyannis Port Community, water supply information session, August 5th, 5:00 PM, Union Chapel, 15 Wachusett Avenue, Hyannis Port – Wilson states to the board that himself, O’Neil and Keijser will be giving an approximate 30 minute presentation on the water department operations and allow participants to ask questions.

Matters not reasonably anticipated by the Chair – Barbosa asks if the Water Quality Report can be printed in other languages, possibly Spanish and English. Wilson and O’Neil ask if that can be done; Keijser states, “yes”, he will inquire. Wilson states that Ells sent a letter to Commissioner Goldstein at the Department of Public Health (DPH) urging to initiate efforts to educate healthcare providers and insurers (Provider Education, Support for Research & Medical Expense Eligibility) in the Commonwealth relative to the risks associated with PFAS and the importance of addressing these risks in medical settings. Wilson asks if anyone has any questions or comments; none raised. Wilson asks Jordan if she will be doing a report on PFAS; Jordan states, “yes”.

A motion is made and seconded to adjourn the Meeting.

ROLL CALL VOTE: YES: Wilson, O’Neil, Stump, Ehart and Barbosa. The Meeting was adjourned at 6:05 PM.

Respectfully submitted,

Marcia Sellitto

DPW, Water Supply Division –Administrative Assistant

Materials presented at meeting:

- Meeting Agenda July 22, 2025 (*presented by:* T.O.B.-DPW, Water Supply Div.)
- Meeting Minutes for approval 6/17/2025 (*presented by:* T.O.B.-DPW, Water Supply Div.)
- B.M.W.S.B. Monthly Report, June 2025 (*presented by:* Veolia)
- FY '25 Pumping Projection spreadsheets, dated 7/18/2025 (*presented by:* Hans Keijser)
- Billed and Received Revenue Projection-FY'25, dated 7/18/2025 (*presented by:* Hans Keijser)
- Copy of the Annual Water Quality Report for calendar year 2024 (*presented by:* Hans Keijser)
- Copy of Capital Project spreadsheet, dated 7/22/2025, from DPW (*presented by:* Matt Wrobel)
- Copy of Appropriation and Loan Order in the amount of \$11,500,000 for the purpose of funding the Straightway Water Treatment Facility Project and it's Summary, posted under “New Business 2025-XXX in the town council agenda for public hearing on July 17, 2025, Intro: 6/26/2025 (*presented by:* T.O.B.-DPW, Water Supply Div.)
- Copy of letter to Commissioner Goldstein (DPH), RE: initiation of education for healthcare providers and insurers (in the medical settings) of risks associated with PFAS, from Mark Ells, dated 7/14/2025 (*presented by:* Hans Keijser)
- Copy of Approved Operating Budget Fiscal Year 2026, dated 6/27/2026 (*presented by:* Hans Keijser)
- Copy of Mass DEP letter, RE: Drought Conditions Ease on the Cape and Martha’s Vineyard, dated 7/14/2025 (*presented by:* Hans Keijser)
- Copy of State of Water Supply Conservation, dated 7/22/2025 (*presented by:* Hans Keijser)
- Newspaper Clippings (*presented by:* Hans Keijser)