

Board of Water Commissioners

August 31, 2021

Remote meeting via telephone conference call

Present:

- Board of Water Commissioners: Mr. Joe Fisher (Chair), Mr. Bill Ramsey (Acting Chair), and Ms. Liz Klein
- Ms. Michelle Monsegur, Assistant Town Administrator

Call to order: 4:00 pm

Mr. Ramsey called the meeting to order and read the following statement:

“This meeting is being held remotely as an alternate means of public access pursuant to an Order issued by the Governor of Massachusetts dated March 12, 2020 Suspending Certain Provisions of the Open Meeting Law. You are hereby advised that this meeting and all communications during this meeting may be recorded by the Town of Hingham in accordance with the Open Meeting Law. If any participant wishes to record this meeting, please notify the chair at the start of the meeting in accordance with M.G.L. c. 30A, § 20(f) so that the chair may inform all other participants of said recording.”

Mr. Ramsey announced that members of the Board of Water Commissioners participating remotely were himself as Acting Chair, Ms. Liz Klein, and Mr. Joe Fisher. He asked if any participants were recording the meeting. There were no responses. Mr. Fisher’s video connection was not functioning properly so he had asked Mr. Ramsey to act as Chair.

To consider accepting the Report on the History of the Hingham Water Company Acquisition

Mr. Jon Asher commented that he very much appreciated the Board’s authorization to create a report for the Town on the History of the Hingham Water Company Acquisition. He said that he was pleased that the commitments that the water system made to the ratepayers over the course of seven or eight years about financial sufficiency and increased capital spending are now being realized. He felt that the whole endeavor has lived up to the expectations that were established in 2012.

Mr. Ramsey thanked Mr. Asher for his work on this project. Ms. Klein thanked him as well and felt that it was invaluable to have the acquisition documented from a historical perspective. Mr. Fisher commented that this report gives all who currently serve as Water Commissioners a goal of continuing the great work that has happened in the past and building on the work as we move forward.

Vote: Ms. Klein made a motion to accept the Report on the History of the Hingham Water Company Acquisition. Mr. Fisher seconded.

Roll Call Vote:

Ms. Klein: yes

Mr. Fisher: yes

Mr. Ramsey: yes

Public Comment

There were no comments from the public.

Vote: Ms. Klein made a motion to adjourn. Mr. Fisher seconded.

Roll Call Vote:

Ms. Klein: yes

Mr. Fisher: yes

Mr. Ramsey: yes

The meeting adjourned at 4:06pm.

Documents: A complete meeting packet of supporting documentation is on file and available for public review in the Hingham Board of Selectmen's office.