



# TOWN OF HALIFAX, MASSACHUSETTS BOARD OF WATER COMMISSIONERS

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## MEETING MINUTES January 8, 2019

7:00 p.m. Donald Bosworth made a motion to open the meeting.  
Seconded by Daniel Bosworth

*Motion Passes*

Present: Richard Clark, Chairman  
Daniel O. Bosworth, Jr., Clerk  
Donald A. Bosworth, Member  
Keith Swanson, Superintendent  
Kathleen O'Neil, Administrative Assistant

### Meeting Minutes

Donald Bosworth made a motion to approve the meeting minutes from December 11, 2018, as written.  
Second by Richard Clark.

*Motion Passes*

### Plant Assessment Update

Keith has still not received the final assessment from Tata & Howard. He is hoping they will come in to present it to him within the next month or two.

### New Truck Article

There is currently a new Ford F250 truck parked in front of the water department. This is the new truck purchased by the Building Maintenance Committee. Keith asked them to park the truck there so that the Water Commissioners could look it over.

Keith feels that model truck is too big for our current needs. He is thinking an F150 with 4-wheel drive, an 8-foot bed and utility cap would be best. Having the enclosed bed will prevent the tools from getting wet and rusting. Dick thinks a mid-size would be more suitable since it will be used mostly for running around. Keith is concerned that a mid-size would be too small and wants to make sure the new truck can serve a dual purpose. We currently have two plow trucks which is all that is needed. Dan and Don are on board with the F150 truck.

### Waste Valve Outlet

To recap, Bert thinks the current valve is at the end of its life. Keith has Mike from Flowrite coming in on Friday to discuss replacing it. Mike will also witness the backwash process that morning. Dick wondered if purchasing a new valve will require the bid process or if emergencies waive this requirement. Dick does not want to wait until it fails to replace the valve.

New OSHA Requirements

Keith told the board that OSHA has come out with several new requirements that may end up costing the department and/or town money. Keith will be attending a seminar in a couple of weeks to find out additional information.

Sludge

Keith has not heard back from DEP regarding disposing of sludge at the landfill.

Water Main Leak

Keith informed the board that there was a water main leak last week on Annawon Drive at Chestnut Road caused by an old wrap that started to leak. David Hathaway removed the existing strap and replaced it with a new one. The job was completed in about 3 hours. The office received only one call during that time likely due to notice given the day prior on the town sign and a facebook post.

A T & T Request

Keith stated the we have received a check from A T & T to cover the cost of the engineering review. Keith mentioned that Center Line Communication offered him a \$500 signing bonus if he would sign off on the project asap. Keith told them that the plans are in Tata & Howards hands right now and he cannot OK any work until they approve the plans.

Adjournment

7:47 p.m. Donald Bosworth made a motion to adjourn.

Seconded by Daniel Bosworth

*Voted Unanimously*

Approved,



**NOTE: NEXT MEETING DATE IS FEBRUARY 12, 2019**