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## ABINGTON & ROCKLAND JOINT BOARD OF WATER COMMISSION MEETING:

The Abington & Rockland Joint Board of Water Commission held a meeting on January 14, 2025, at 3:53 PM at the Abington & Rockland Joint Water Works Office, 366 Centre Ave, Rockland, MA. Present were the following Commissioners:

Deborah L Dooner, Chairman John S. Tassinari Jr., Secretary Robert Corvi David Saucier William C. Cormier., Jr.

Also:
Kristel Cameron, Superintendent
Tom Royal, Assistant Superintendent
Brian Bezanson, Distribution Supervisor

JoAnne Hall. Executive Administrator

Mr. Corvi motioned to open the meeting at 3:53 PM. Mr. Cormier seconded the motion and it was unanimously approved.

Mr. Corvi motioned to accept the minutes from the November 13, 2024, meeting. Mr. Saucier seconded the motion, and it was unanimously approved.

The Board discussed not meeting in February. Mr. Tassinari motioned for the next meeting to be on March 11, 2025, at 3:30 PM. Mr. Cormier seconded the motion, and it was unanimously approved.

The Board reviewed the Financial Report. Mr. Corvi motioned to accept the Financial Report. Mr. Cormier second the motion and it was unanimously accepted.

The Board discussed the distribution crew and the number of breaks in the last few days. They specifically discussed the break at the intersection of Concord Street and Summer Street, Rockland. Mr. Corvi expressed his concern with the school department saying water could not be shut off until 3:20 PM and therefore, the water break repair did not start until 3:20 PM, resulting in the water department having extra costs associated with overtime for personnel, and police details. Other Board members agreed with Mr. Corvi. Mr. Royal informed the Board of the discussions he and Brian Bezanson had with school personnel, and their decision to wait until 3:20 PM to make the repair. Mr. Corvi stated the distribution crew does an excellent job.

Mrs. Dooner mentioned the fires in California. Mr. Tassinari asked if we bill for water used at a fire. Mrs. Cameron liked Mr. Tassinari's suggestion. Currently we do not bill for water used at a fire.

Mrs. Cameron thanked the Board for the Christmas party.

Mrs. Cameron presented her Superintendents Report:

- A request to use 2800 gallons of water for a polar plunge.
- The current executive administrator is leaving. Mrs. Cameron's plan is to hire someone and have them work with the executive administrator for six months and posting the position in March.
- filling a position in the front office, if necessary
- updated the board on the water breaks in the last week
- a short notice to find a new location for our sand, etc. due to the Abington Highway/Fire project
- the generator repairs at the great Sandy bottom plant have been submitted for ARPA funds
- SCADA has been installed at the Myers Avenue plant and the Hingham Street plant
- the sludge has been removed at the Sandy bottom plant
- three water treatment operators have passed the T2 test
- the reservoir levels have been up, down, and up again
- submissions for the town reports, with former long-term employees noted
- on Christmas day there was a cyber scare, it was researched and found to be a false alarm
- articles are being submitted to each town

Mrs. Dooner requested her father's passing be noted in the town report.

Mr. Corvi motioned to adjourn at 5:29 PM. Mr. Saucier seconded the motion, and it was unanimously approved.

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| John S. Tassinari Jr., Secretary |  |
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