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### DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS

Director David T. Hickox, P.E.

### BOARD OF PUBLIC WORKS

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### BOARD OF PUBLIC WORKS MEETING MINUTES

# FEBRUARY 28, 2013

Department of Public Works Conference Room 759 Russells Mills Road Dartmouth, MA 02748 Present:

Mark S. Nunes, Chairman Manuel Branco, Clerk

Lee M. Azinheira, Vice Chairman David T. Hickox, Director

Carlos Cardoso, WPC Plant Manager

Steven Sullivan, Superintendent Water & Sewer Division

Paul Pacheco, Superintendent Services & Infrastructure

The Chairman called the meeting to order at approximately 7:30 a.m.

#### **ACTION ITEMS**

A motion was made by Mr. Azinheira and duly seconded by Mr. Branco to accept and approve the warrants for the bills payable for the period ending February 28, 2013. So voted.

A motion was made by Mr. Azinheira and duly seconded by Mr. Branco to accept and approve the payrolls for the weeks ending February 1, 8, 15, and 21, 2013. So voted.

A motion was made by Mr. Azinheira and duly seconded by Mr. Branco to accept and approve the Meeting Minutes of January 10, 2013. So voted.

After a motion was made by Mr. Branco and duly seconded by Mr. Nunes, it was voted two (2) in favor and one (1) abstained (Mr. Azinheira) to approve and accept the Meeting Minutes of January 24, 2013, as amended.

A motion was made by Mr. Azinheira and duly seconded by Mr. Branco to approve and accept the Meeting Minutes of February 6, 2013, as amended. So voted.

#### **OLD BUSINESS**

### **SMART Bag Review**

Mr. Hickox reviewed the state bids and noted that Dartmouth is getting the best pricing for the same mil bags, which are the state standard. The Board members agreed that they would not deviate from the state standard bag at this time and continue to discuss the pros and cons of automating solid waste collection. Mr. Hickox took the opportunity to share his notes from his meeting with the City of New Bedford and District members where single-stream recycling was discussed.

#### **NEW BUSINESS**

### Correspondence from Chief John H. Judson, Fire District #I regarding Nonquitt Hydrant System

Mr. Hickox informed the Board that as a follow up to Chief Judson's letter he asked Mr. Sullivan and Mr. Pacheco to coordinate a meeting with the Nonquitt groundskeeper, Don Horton, to complete a hydrant inventory at Nonquitt.

On a related item, Mr. Hickox noted that a number of communities have a hydrant assessment fee. The Town of Dartmouth has a great deal of private areas both residential and commercial, that the Town has no jurisdiction over as far as maintenance. The Engineering Department is currently

#### **OTHER BUSINESS**

The Chairman asked those present if they wished to discuss any other business that morning.

Mr. Hickox informed the Board that he met with Senator Mark Montigny's office about additional funding for the Padanaram Bridge. Currently there are two projects: the Causeway Rehabilitation Project, which plans are at 25% and is on the TIP for 2014, (\$5, 9000,000 and an additional \$1,200,000 earmark), the other is the Padanaram Bridge Rehabilitation Project. Mr. Hickox recently learned that the balance of the Little River Bridge Project can be used on the Padanaram Bridge Project, which needs structural work. There is also conversation of combining the projects and advertising the project in that manner, which will also assist in obtaining additional funding.

Mr. Hickox informed the Board that Phase 1 of the Waste Water Treatment Plant Upgrade Project is out to bid and there will be a pre-bid meeting on April 6, at 10:00 a.m. at Town Hall.

Mr. Hickox reported that the public informational meeting for the Ryder Street Project was held and they are waiting to hear if the 2/3 favorable response was obtained or not.

Having no further business to discuss that morning, at approximately 8:40 a.m. a motion was made by Mr. Nunes and duly seconded by Mr. Azinheira to adjourn the meeting. So voted.

Respectfully submitted:

Mikelle L. Delians

Approved:

3/21/13

Michelle L. DeFranco, Administrative Assistant