

**WATER RESOURCES COMMITTEE
TOWN HALL
Meeting Minutes ~ August 28, 2006**

Members in attendance: Rick Mattila, Chair; Dave Irwin, Vice-Chair; Tom Burns; Malcolm Brown; Bob Hunter; John MacLeod; Joan Meschino; Ed Petrilak.

Also in Attendance: Jeff Musich, Wright-Pierce; Paul Weisman, Wright-Pierce; Roger Sullivan, Hingham Water Supply Committee; Rick Nabb, Hingham Resident; Robert Roland, Aquarion Water Company; John Silver.

Meeting called to order by Chair at 7:10 p.m.

Welcome New Member: The Chair welcomed new member John MacLeod to the committee.

Public Input: None.

Feasibility Study Presentation: Wright-Pierce

Wright-Pierce circulated a memo on the distribution system valuation and Aquarion water rates as well as missing Table 6-3 of the draft report. Wright-Pierce gave a power point presentation summarizing revised costs and suggesting a strategy to complete the report. Wright-Pierce discussed what we have learned to date, what it indicates, where we are in the scope of work, what likely next step will be. Wright-Pierce directed the committee's attention to the \$40,000 held in reserve and indicated that we be thinking about how we want to spend it, if at all.

R. Mattila posed the question: are we complete enough to finalize the report and move forward? The WRC members discussed with Wright-Pierce how best to finalize the report and whether we might prefer to move towards an executive summary.

MOTION by E. Petrilak, **SECOND** by M. Brown, to extend the contract term with Wright-Pierce for a period of three months with no additional budget. **APPROVED**, unanimously.

The next meeting will be September 25, 2006. Wright-Pierce will provide additional information as discussed by September 18, 2006, to enable the members to review prior to the meeting.

The WRC discussed the question of how to handle Scope of Work § 10A. The member may want to reread the Diemert Report, which addresses much of this already, before deciding which direction to take.

Wright-Pierce July Invoice:

The WRC reviewed and discussed the Wright-Pierce invoice for July, 2006. Wright-Pierce provided an explanation of the status of the whole project relative to the budget/invoices to date.

MOTION by R. Hunter, **SECOND** by M. Brown, to approve the Wright-Pierce July, 2006 invoice for payment. **APPROVED**, unanimously.

Old Business: Professor James Manwell Request for Information

Prof. Manwell is currently on vacation. J. MacLead will be responsible for finding out what information he is requesting.

New Business: None.

Next Meeting: September 25, 2006.

MOTION by M. Brown, **SECOND** by R. Mattila, to adjourn meeting. **APPROVED**, unanimously.

10:20 p.m. meeting adjourned.

Approved: _____