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Water Resource Advisory Committee

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Minutes of Meeting – December 11, 2018

Yarmouth Town Hall, Conference Room A – 6:00pm

Members Present: Lee Rowley-Vice Chair, John Deliso, Curt Sears-Chair, Tom Roche, Tom Durkin, and Lisa Coedy.

Others Present: Dave Young-CDM Smith, Kara Johnston-CDM Smith, Rich Bienvenue-Municipal Operations Director, Karen Greene-Director of Community Development, Jeff Colby-DPW Director, and Jocelyn Raneo-DPW Principle Office Assistant.

Call to Order

The meeting was called to order by Chairperson Sears at 6:03pm.

Approval of Minutes

The November 27th minutes were approved with a motion by Tom Roche and 2nd by Lee Rowley, vote 5-0-1 (Deliso). The changes noted were the spelling of Lisa Coedy's last name and the date of the next meeting.

Summary:

The five questions that the members were asked to bring were distributed and Rich Bienvenue will be combining them to create a Frequently Asked Questions handout. Chairperson Sears believes that this will all come down to costs and most questions will pertain to such. Tom Durkin brought the Q&A from last time the subject was brought up along with some data he collected. He feels that outreach is a large part in making this program a success and that the committee can learn from past mistakes. Tom Roche would like to try to get the Barnstable Clean Water Coalition onboard to help with educating the community and getting the word out. Jeff Colby mentioned that the Friends of Bass River are interested in being involved in water issues and that they could also be another possibility. Members are very interested in have a Cost Calculator available on the website for residents to utilize.

A presentation was given by David Young about the DHY Partnership overview of the draft agreement. He discussed the shared utilities, the status of the agreement, wastewater flows, governance, and the cost sharing. John Deliso made a comment about learning from the DY

School situation and Rich pointed out that in the governance of the agreement there are ways to back out. Kara will make sure that the members have the most up to date copy of the draft and Chairperson Sears has directed everyone to reach out to Rich with any comments they may have.

Karen and Rich met with Kara to discuss data for planning efforts. They are hoping to have current data within a couple of weeks concentrating on commercial areas. Once the data has been finalized the cost can be narrowed down. Tom Roche feels it would be beneficial to businesses if we notified them about what the potential buildout would be and also made comments about what the affect would be to the smaller lots and the potential for combining.

Rich discussed betterment options for the cost recovery and different stipulations attached. He stated that the residential units involved should be treated differently than the commercial units but the betterments need to be consistent. John brought up the issue with irrigation and the possibility of a separate meter and rates. Tom Roche touched on the fact that residents will probably express concerns in regards to cost because of the numerous projects happening in town and what that will mean to their pockets. Chairperson Sears would like to investigate what other towns have been doing that do not involve the residents paying more to get some possible ideas.

Next Meeting Date

The next meeting will be held on December 18th in the Yarmouth Town Hall Conference Room A.

Meeting Adjournment

Motion to adjourn by Lee Rowley at 7:59pm, 2nd by John Deliso, Vote 6-0-0