

A meeting of the Town of Barnstable's Barnstable Municipal Water Supply Board was held on April 21, 2026, at 5:30 PM remotely via ZOOM (as posted per instructions on the agenda) - "The April 21, 2026, meeting of the Barnstable Municipal Water Supply Board shall be conducted remotely and shall be physically closed to the public. Alternative public access shall be provided as set forth below.

ALTERNATIVE PUBLIC ACCESS

Remote access and participation; please utilize the Zoom video link or telephone number and access meeting code:

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Meeting ID: 865 8655 8968, US Toll-free 1-888-475-4499

In attendance were Sam Wilson, Patrick Ehart and Carlos Barbosa.

Staff present: Hans Keijser, Supervisor, DPW-Water Supply Division, Tyler Gilman, P.E., Project Manager.

Also present: Kevin Sampson from Veolia and Kris Clark, Town Council.

A quorum being present, Chair Wilson called the meeting to order at 5:31 PM.

Chair Wilson states, "This meeting is being recorded and broadcast on the Town of Barnstable's Government Access Channel. In accordance with Massachusetts General Laws Chapter 30A, Section 20, the Chair must inquire whether anyone else is recording this meeting and, if so, to please make their presence known." None being heard; none is noted.

A motion was made and seconded to approve the agenda.

ROLL CALL VOTE: YES: Wilson, Ehart and Barbosa. The Agenda is approved.

A motion was made and seconded to approve the 3/17/26 meeting minutes.

ROLL CALL VOTE: YES: Wilson, Ehart and Barbosa. The 3/17/26 meeting minutes are approved.

Operations Report –

Sampson informs the board about the following distribution tasks, contract obligations for preventative maintenance, distribution issues and water main breaks that were addressed and repaired in the month of March:

- Inspection, assessment and repairs were made to (2) hydrants that were hit during the blizzard: hydrant 740 (1441 Iyannough Road) and hydrant #390 (#192 Airport Road).
- The last of the (4) annual well rehabilitations were started on the Straightway #1 well.
- Staff assistance was given for flushing of the new 16" watermain on Mary Dunn Road.
- An accidental hit by the on-site contractor at the Mary Dunn tank site required repairs and flushing to the sample tap line for the large tank.
- A hit hydrant was repaired at the CVS location on North Street.
- Upon persistence negotiations with the Calgon Company, they agreed to come out and reinspect their work previously completed on the two carbon vessels at the Mary Dunn Treatment Facility location which encountered problematic issues since that initial installation/replacement of the new septa filters.
- A double carbon exchange was completed at the Straightway Treatment Facility in anticipation of the upcoming flushing season. A valve on the bottom of one of the filters was also changed out during the exchange which succumbed to damage as a result of seasonal winter freeze and thaw conditions.

Sampson points out the substantial increase in office calls received (from 700 to 1200 in the month of March) which have been a result of the linebacker pamphlet and water conservation notifications that were mailed out to all customers. Wilson asks if customers are signing up for the plan; Sampson replies with “yes” stating that it was a productive effort. Wilson thanks Sampson for remediating the issue with Calgon Company and the Mary Dunn filters. Ehart expresses the great job Veolia staff is doing; Barbosa concurs. Sampson states that meters are projected to be completed early and the AWWA testing will commence as part of the annual flushing program, which will show more completion of the deliverables in next month’s report.

All required monthly reports and sampling were completed and submitted.

Capital project update by Matthew Wrobel, Senior Project Manager (handout dated April 21, 2026, given) – It is stated at the beginning that Mike Tieu is no longer with the town, and Robert Steen will be stepping in and picking up Tieu’s workload. Gilman reviews the following projects and progress as follows:

1. New well exploration program, update – No change since last meeting.
2. Pilot testing project Mary Dunn & Airport wells – No change since last meeting.
3. New Straightway Water Treatment Facility (WTF) and Replacement of the Hyannis Port & Simmons Pond wells – Gilman reports that utility upgrades are being drafted, installation of new yard piping and modifications to existing piping are complete and treatment facility is back online for operations. He adds that the excavation and preparation for the new treatment facility foundation is currently being coordinated. Wilson asks if the project is still on track; Gilman says, “yes”.
4. Lead Service Line Replacement – No change since last meeting.
5. Mary Dunn 4 well building – Gilman reports that only a few minor landscaping punch list items remain that will be completed in the Spring.
6. Mary Dunn 16” Transmission Main – Gilman reports that the water main is currently online and final paving will be completed in the fall.
7. Mary Dunn Tank #1 Rehabilitation – Gilman reports that a no-cost change order is in the works to extend the contract period to enable more investigation with possibility of hiring a 3rd party tank inspector to evaluate the application/performance of the coating system to determine how to correct the seepage/staining problem. Upon remediation of this problem; completion of the project can move forward.
8. Crocker Street Water Main Replacement – Gilman reports that water main is complete and final paving is scheduled to be completed before Memorial Day.
9. Hawes Avenue Culvert Replacement – Gilman reports that this project is currently closed out.

Wilson states how well all of these projects are progressing and or nearing completion.

State of Water Supply Conservation declaration, follow-up – Wilson states how notification went out to customers explaining the Water Supply Conservation declaration made to conform with DEP regulations. Keijser states that a lot of calls are being received; he also states his discussion with a landscaper who inquired about new planting care; Keijser advised him that irrigation watering is ok through May, but starting in June, only hand watering is permitted. Wilson expresses that he feels there have been some misunderstanding relative to these regulations and requests further communications provided through DPW. Ehart suggests improved messaging from the town defining Fact & Fiction to educate the public. Barbosa expresses the need for town council to be more educated on this topic.

FY 2027 rate hearing update, Tuesday, March 17, 2026, at 11:00 AM via zoom – Keijser states that he hasn't received any negative feedback and doesn't foresee any problems with what was presented; he will check and let the board know of any findings.

Capital requests FY27, Town Council CIP public hearing, update – Wilson states that the second read was done and approved by town council; he thanks Clark. Clark thanks the board for doing all of the important stuff. Barbosa thanks Clark for being present at the meeting, stating that normally town council members are not present.

Matters not reasonably anticipated by the Chair – Clark states that she is present to learn of any new happenings within the system and states that she will reach out to Hyannis councilors to let them know how their support is needed. Wilson shares that he was able to present at the Inside Barnstable to educate what is going on within the water system. Barbosa requests for basic language instead of technical language to educate the general public.

A motion is made and seconded to adjourn the Meeting.

ROLL CALL VOTE: YES: Wilson, Ehart and Barbosa. The Meeting is adjourned.

Respectfully submitted,

Marcia Sellitto

DPW, Water Supply Division –Administrative Assistant

Materials presented at meeting:

- Meeting Agenda April 21, 2026 (*presented by:* T.O.B.-DPW, Water Supply Div.)
- Meeting Minutes for approval 3/17/2026 (*presented by:* T.O.B.-DPW, Water Supply Div.)
- B.M.W.S.B. Monthly Report, March 2026 (*presented by:* Veolia)
- FY26 Pumping Projection, dated 4/13/2026 (*presented by:* Hans Keijser)
- Billed and Received Revenue Projection-FY'26, dated 4/13/2026 (*presented by:* Hans Keijser)
- Copy of Capital Project spreadsheet, dated 4/21/2026, from DPW (*presented by:* Mike Tieu & Tyler Gilman)
- Copy of Massachusetts Drought Status from Massachusetts Energy & Environmental Affairs, dated effective as of: 3/1/2026 (*presented by:* Hans Keijser)
- Copy of State of Water Supply Conservation, dated 3/17/2025 (*presented by:* Hans Keijser)
- Newspaper Clippings (*presented by:* Hans Keijser)