

PAWTUCKET WATER SUPPLY BOARD

The 435th meeting of the Pawtucket Water Supply Board met on September 9th, 2025 at 5:00 PM

William Masuck called the meeting to order at 5:00 PM.

PWSB Members Present

William Masuck, Chairperson – present

James Bradford, Vice Chairperson – present

Robert Benson – present

Roberto Moreno – present

Mark Theroux – present

Nicholas Radesca – present

PWSB Staff Present

James DeCelles - Chief Engineer

Russell Houde – Assistant Chief Engineer

Christopher Collins – Source Water Manager

Katie Peters – Executive Project Manager

Joe Keough – Attorney

Public Attendees

None

4. Consent Agenda

Discussion took place regarding the exit of two more water utility workers from the PWSB this week. Currently there are three open utility worker positions open. Jim DeCelles noted his concern about being able to respond appropriately to an incident such as a major main break. The PWSB will be working with Raftelis to do a salary survey so there will be a record of how far our current pay rates are from comparable positions.

A motion to approve the Consent Agenda was made by James Bradford and seconded by Mark Theroux.

Roll Call Taken:

William Masuck - Yes

James Bradford – Yes

Robert Benson - Yes

Roberto Moreno – Yes

Mark Theroux – Yes

Nicholas Radesca – Yes

APPROVED

New Business:

5A. MHQ Vehicle Purchase

The board was asked to approve that the PWSB bring the purchase of 5 vehicles from MHQ (under the Plymouth County Commissioners Contract) to the Pawtucket Purchasing Board for approval.

Five vehicles would be purchased at an amount not to exceed \$270,929. MHQ currently holds the cooperative purchasing contract for motor vehicles for the Plymouth County Commissioners Purchasing Department. Under this agreement, all local and State member agencies in Massachusetts and Rhode Island are eligible to purchase vehicles for the contract bid prices.

1. 1 Ford F-250/w slide in dump	\$60,765
2. 1 Ford F-600 stake body	\$83,302
3. 3 Chevrolet Colorado pickups	\$126,862
TOTAL	\$270,929

A motion to approve this recommendation was made by Robert Benson and seconded by James Bradford.

Roll Call Taken:

William Masuck - Yes

James Bradford – Yes

Robert Benson - Yes

Roberto Moreno – Yes

Mark Theroux – Yes

Nicholas Radesca – Yes

APPROVED

5B. FY'24 Financial Audit

The board was asked to approve the FY'24 financial audit. The long delay in receiving the final audit was noted. Bob Benson noted that he has made notes and will have edits to suggest for the FY'25 financial audit, which is still in early stages. Nick Radesca added that there were new auditors this year, creating some variation in formatting from year prior.

A motion to approve the FY'24 financial audit was made by Robert Benson and seconded by Mark Theroux.

Roll Call Taken:

William Masuck - Yes

James Bradford – Yes

Robert Benson - Yes

Roberto Moreno – Yes

Mark Theroux – Yes

Nicholas Radesca – Yes

APPROVED

Next scheduled meeting is October 14th, 2025.

A motion to adjourn was made by James Bradford and seconded by Robert Benson.

Meeting adjourned at 5:16 pm.

Certified by PAWTUCKET WATER SUPPLY BOARD, recorded by kp



William Masuck, Chairperson