

REPORT OF THE BOARD OF WATER COMMISSIONERS
 RAYNHAM CENTER WATER DISTRICT
 FOR THE PERIOD JULY 1, 2022 THROUGH JUNE 30, 2023

To the voters of the Raynham Center Water District:

It is our pleasure to submit the annual report and financial statement for the fiscal year 2024.

The Commissioners have also presented a budget and special articles for your approval for the Districts operation in the upcoming fiscal year 2025.

The District has completed the design of the two new PFAS treatment plants, pending a successful Bid process the district hope to begin construction in early fall 2024

The District is well under way to completing the lead and copper service line survey required by EPA, and will be submitted in September of 2024.

Painting of the Orchard St water storage tank was completed in June of 2023.

The District has purchased a new pick up to replace an aging 2012 truck

The District added 15 new water services in the calendar year 2023 bringing the total number of water services to 3,158.

ANNUAL Water Restrictions will be in place from May 1st Through September 30th. Outdoor Lawn watering will be allowed mornings from 5AM to 9AM based on the ODD/EVEN street addresses. ODD days will begin on May 1. Hand held hoses will be allowed anytime. Water restrictions may be reduced depending on Mass DEP drought restrictions.

In conclusion, the commissioners would like to thank all of the district employees for their cooperation and dedication to the Raynham Center Water District.

Respectfully submitted,
 James H. Wagner - Chairman
 John A. Dolan
 Barrett Johnson

REVENUE RECEIVED FISCAL YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2023

Water Rates and Services.....	\$1,741,549.00
Taxes Real and Personal.....	\$1,651,557.00
Interest on Deposits.....	\$31,248.00
Hydrant Rental.....	\$6,000.00
Interest on Taxes.....	\$5,698.00
Miscellaneous.....	<u>\$5,700.00</u>
	\$3,441,752.00

Greeting.

In the name of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts, you are hereby directed to notify and warn the inhabitants of said District, qualified to vote in elections and in District affairs, to meet at the Raynham Senior Center, 2215 King Philip St, in said Raynham Center on Monday the 13th day of May next, at 7:00 o'clock in the evening, then and there to act on the following articles:

Article 1. To elect by ballot a moderator for a term of one (1) year.

Article 2. To elect by ballot a Water Commissioner for a term of three (3) years.

Article 3. To see if the District will vote to accept the report of the Board of Water Commissioners or take any action relative thereto.

Article 4. Shall Jon R Chase, Incumbent in the position of Superintendent, be granted tenure pursuant to Sections One Hundred and Twenty-Six and thirty-two inclusive of Chapter Forty-One of the General Laws.

Article 5. To see if the District will vote to raise, appropriate, or transfer a sum of money for the operations of the Raynham Center Water District for the fiscal year beginning July 1st, 2024 through June 30th, 2025 according to a budget of \$3,513,579 dollars or take any action relative thereto.

Article 6. To see if the District will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$319,531.25 dollars for the principal and interest payment for the North Main Street treatment plant or take any action relative thereto.

Article 7. To see if the District will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$51,819.51 dollars to be used to pay the interest on the short-term loan for the New District garage or take any action relative thereto.

Article 8. To see if the District will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$125,000 dollars for the principal payment for the New District Garage or take any action relative thereto.

Article 9. To see if the District will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$115,000 dollars for the purchase of a new 16,000 GVW Dump truck and related equipment or take any action relative thereto.

Article 10. To see if the District will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$58,000 dollars for the purchase of a new Pick Up truck Dump truck and related equipment or take any action relative thereto.

Article 11. To see if the District will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$32,000 dollars to upgrade the Electric Service and heating system at the District office, or take any action relative thereto.

Article 12. To see if the District will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$20,000 dollars to Replace the roof on Lake Nip pump station #2, or take any action relative thereto.

Article 13. To see if the District will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$65,000 dollars to replace the deteriorating parking lot at the District office, or take any action relative thereto.

Article 14. To see if the District will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$100,000 dollars to perform Maintenance to the Locust Street Tank exterior cleaning and Mixer repairs, or take any action relative thereto.

Article 15. To see if the District will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$300,000 for the rate stabilization account, or take any action relative thereto.

Article 16. To see if the District will vote to create a Carbon Media Replacement Account. This Account will be maintained and used to offset large capital expenditures for Carbon Media replacement at the water treatment plants that would create large swings in the tax rates. These funds may be used on approval of the District, or take any action relative thereto.

Article 17. To see if the District will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$200,000 for the Carbon Media Replacement Account, or take any action relative thereto.

Article 18. To see if the District will vote to transfer and appropriate the sum of \$560,000 dollars from free cash to be used to reduce the 2025 tax rate or take any action relative thereto.

Article 19. To see if the District will vote to amend the Article 14 of the May 8th 2023 Annual meeting to read as follows: To see if the Raynham Center Water District will vote to appropriate a sum of money, not to exceed Thirty million dollars (\$30,000,000), and hereby is appropriated to pay costs of making various water system improvements, including, but not limited to, the construction of two (2) new water treatment plants at the Gushee Pond and Lake Nip well sites that will treat for the removal of PFAS contaminants, and the payment of all other costs incidental and related thereto. To meet this appropriation, the Water District Treasurer, with the approval of the Board of Water Commissioners, is hereby authorized to borrow said amount under and pursuant to M.G.L. c. 44, §7 and 8, or pursuant to any other enabling authority, and to issue bonds or notes of the Water District therefor.

All, or any portion, of this borrowing may be obtained through the Massachusetts Clean Water Trust (the "Trust"). The Chair of the Board of Water Commissioners, acting on behalf of the Board of Water Commissioners, the Treasurer and any other appropriate official of the Water District are authorized to execute and deliver any and all agreements and other documents that may be required by the Trust, or by The Commonwealth of Massachusetts' Department of Environmental Protection in connection with any financing to be obtained through the Trust. Any premium received upon the sale of any bonds or notes approved by this vote, less any such premium applied to the payment of the costs of issuance of such bonds or notes, may be applied to the payment of costs approved by this vote in accordance with M.G.L. c. 44, §20, thereby reducing the amount authorized to be borrowed to pay such costs by a like amount.

Article 20. To see if the District will vote to authorize the District Treasurer with the approval of the Water Commissioners to borrow from time to time in anticipation of revenue of the financial year beginning July, 1, 2024 in accordance with the provisions of the General Law, Chapter 44, Section 4 and to issue a note or notes as there-of payable within one (1) year and to renew any note or notes as may be given for a period of less than one (1) year in accordance with General Laws, Chapter 44, Section 17.

And you are directed to serve this Warrant by posting up attested copies thereof at the Raynham Center Post Office and the Raynham Town Hall in said district, seven (7) days at least before the time of holding said meeting.

HEREOF FAIL NOT, and make due return of this Warrant, with your doings thereon, to the District Clerk, at the time and place of meeting, as foresaid. Given under our hands this 3rd Day of May in the year of our Lord two thousand and twenty-four.

James H. Wagner - Chairman
John A. Dolan
Barrett Johnson
Commissioners of the Raynham Center Water District

A TRUE COPY, Attest:
Richard Pacheco, Constable