

## **Dracut Water Supply District**

### **Annual Report 2005**

Fiscal Year July 1, 2004 - June 30, 2005

### Warrant District Election

May 1st 2006

### Warrant Annual District Meeting

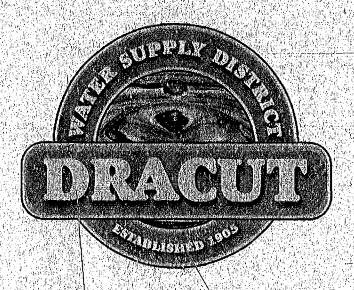
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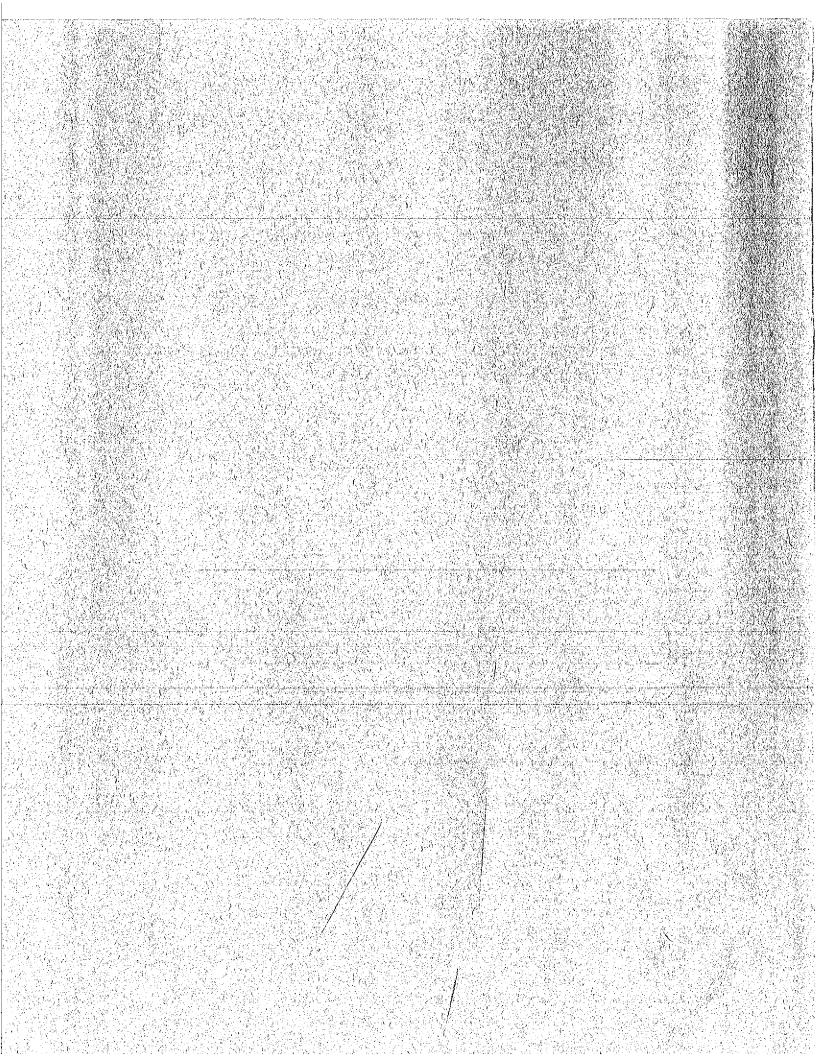


#### Board of Water Commissioners

William "Zee" Zielinski, Chairman Robert Corey, Commissioner Vice Chairman William (Bill) Morin

#### Staff

Gary W. McCarthy
Superintendent-Director
Mark Riopelle
Assistant Superintendent
Debra Vinal
Treasurer



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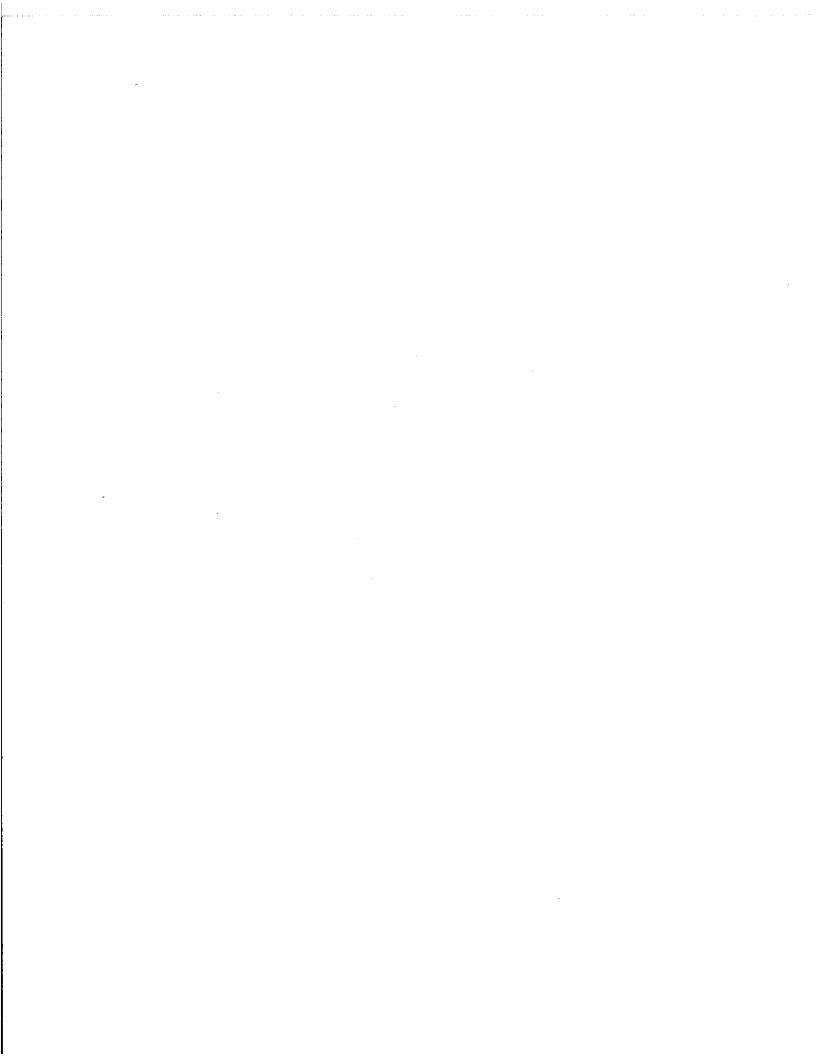
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## **SECTION I**

#### Annual Report Of

#### Dracut Water Supply District 59 Hopkins Street Dracut, MA 01826

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#### **Elected Officials**

#### **Board of Water Commissioners**

William "Bill" Morin, Chairman

**Term Expires 2008** 

William "Zee" Zielinski

**Term Expires 2006** 

Robert E. Corey

**Term Expires 2007** 

#### **Clerk of the District**

Kathleen Graham

**Term Expires 2008** 

#### Moderator

Donna Yackel

**Term Expires 2006** 

For the Year Ending June 30th 2005

#### Appointed Officials and Staff of the Dracut Water Supply District

## Gary W. McCarthy Executive Director-Superintendent

## Mark Riopelle Assistant Superintendent Primary Operator Distribution and Treatment

#### Debra Vinal District Treasurer

#### John Hudzik Secondary Operator Distribution and Treatment

Field Staff

**Stephen Dehney** 

Field Systems Supervisor

Mark Basnett

**Field Systems Operator** 

John Laffey

**Field Systems Operator** 

Tim Germain

Field Systems Operator

Office Staff

**Kelley Chasse** 

**Billing and Accounts Specialist** 

**Maureen Donnelly** 

**Customer Service Manager** 

Matthew Gill

**Billing and Accounts Specialist** 

## **SECTION II**

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#### Report of William "Zee" Zielinski Water Commissioner

To the ratepayers of the Dracut Water Supply District;

The calendar year changes before us once again, moving time forward to the 1<sup>st</sup> quarter of 2006.

I take great thanks in being able to be a part of the historic turn around DWSD continued to experience through the year of 2005.

Progress has once again been achieved through the completion of the new State Forest Booster Pump station during this past year. Rapid detection of a weakness in the water supply system, realized just a few short years ago, set in motion the planning, construction and now the start up of this new state of the art pump station. With this new addition to DWSD, a large part of Collinsville, which has suffered low water pressure for decades, will finally be a thing of the past.

Renovations continue to be a large part of restoring DWSD owned facilities back to current day standards with the rehabilitation of the 1<sup>st</sup> original turn of the century (20<sup>th</sup> Century) Dracut Water Supply District Pump Station building. Estimated completion will be later this fall of 2006.

The hydrant flushing program continues to work, exercise, flush out and uncover weakness within the DWSD water main supply system. This program will continue at a more aggressive pace with the adoption of a funding Article being proposed to you the ratepayers at this year's Annual District Meeting on May 6<sup>th</sup> 2006.

The water main renewal project continues to update, tear out and replace grossly undersized decaying mains with new American Water Works approved materials. As this ten year project continues, many more areas will be provided with increased fire protection, increased water pressures and much better water quality.

The District continues to progress with numerous projects under taken, such as the Methuen water line interconnections scheduled to be completed by the fall of 2006 and the planning of a new Tyngsboro booster pump station projected to go on line by the beginning of 2008.

As always, your thoughts and concerns regarding the water you purchase and consume is paramount to me. I'd like to thank all of those who continue to support, applaud and bring up for discussion ideas and thoughts regarding your water system. See you all around town.

Respectfully yours, William "Zee" Zielinski Water Commissioner

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#### Report of Robert E. Corey Dracut Water Commissioner

Another fiscal year closes for the District (June 30<sup>th</sup> 2005) during which we have seen the completion of over 100 years of service to the communities of Dracut and parts of Tyngsboro.

The District founded in 1905 has seen many changes to be sure. From a simple pump station on Hopkins Street to a state of the art facility. Our system is strong, repairs of old mains well underway and plans for further coverage with a new line to Kenwood and Methuen commencing in spring of 2006.

During my short tenure at the District I have been pleased to work with fellow Commissioners, a committed and dedicated staff to bring these changes about to better serve you.

This year the completion of the State Forest booster station has seen service pressures and flows increase in the western section of our system.

Plans for an inline station to boost flows from our well fields in Tyngsboro will further bring our own source water to the system.

It is remarkable when one looks back on the not to distant past to see that in only 5 years this system has turned around. We deliver an excellent product at reasonable prices. We offer line protection to our customers (Meter to Main), that has save many hundreds and in some cases thousands of dollars without impact to, or funding from, our budget. This self supporting customer fund through the Superintendent's office is one I was pleased to be part of.

The continued efforts of Superintendent McCarthy and the Staff have made being a Commissioner in the District a worthwhile and pleasant task.

We have finished the Dracut system with all new auto read meters and now are completing the Tyngsboro part of our system with our staff doing the work.

As I continue as one of your Water Commissioners I will be mindful not only of the needs of the District but reasonable and prudent with rates to continue the remainder of improvements that need to be done to support your water system.

Thank you for allowing me the opportunity to serve you in my capacity as Water Commissioner and I am pleased to report our District is in excellent shape.

Respectfully yours Robert E. Corey Water Commissioner

#### Report of William "Bill" Morin Water Commissioner

Another year has passed and I am pleased to report that our water system is in excellent shape.

We have continued to expand with new water mains throughout our system. Last year over 5,000 feet of main and again this coming year almost another 4,000 feet will be installed. This program upgrades many old lines that many years ago served smaller populations and demands. With the development in our community exploding the burden on these old mains is tremendous. This is an aggressive program and one the staff works very hard on to bring new mains on line bringing better service and fire protection to you our ratepayers and customers.

New system improvements are being done with cooperation of developers reducing our costs and allowing us to do improvements that other wise would be years away.

I look back on the accomplishments of the Dracut Water Supply and can't help but marvel at all that has been done in the last 6 years. New Pump Stations built, old buildings saved from ruin, the meter to main program, upgrades to wells making us more independent, new sources of supply now coming at little or no cost from 113 connecting the Town and the District to back up and supply as needed and countless improvements many done by our capable staff.

It goes without saying that the dedication of many has made this happen. Present Commissioners, as well as former a former Commissioner, and dedicated staff and administration has made this all possible.

I am proud to be a part of the phenomenal change that is the Dracut Water Supply District. You can be sure that I will continue my efforts on your behalf as we move forward.

I look forward to continuing to serve you as on of your three Commissioners and am always open to comments and criticism that would make our efforts even more fruitful.

Thank you again,

William "Bill" Morin Water Commissioner 1/

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#### Report of the Executive Director-Superintendent

I am pleased to report to the Dracut Water Supply District for the year ending June 30<sup>th</sup> 2005. Quite simply the District is fiscally strong, the system operating at increased efficiency, replacement of undersized mains well underway and the system in complete compliance with all state agencies.

During the past year the staff of the Dracut Water Supply has endeavored to increase its independence from outside sources. While completely able to sustain demand, during the cool and winter months we run independently without any outside source need. The efforts of staff to monitor wells, increase efficiency of pumps and watch tank levels carefully makes this possible causing the savings of tens of thousands of dollars to the City of Lowell.

Staff along with the Board of Commissioner's continued efforts will now see the connection to the Kenwood System along Broadway Road Rte113. This is scheduled in the spring 06 construction season. This new line will allow for an additional source of water to support the needs of the golf course community while also bringing into the system the potential for interconnection to two other systems. The availability of water sources whenever present and available must be pursued. This new line brings an additional level of security not only for the needs of the Golf Course community, which has funded this line, but the additional level of protection for our system in times of need. This is a value, with little cost to the District, for an effort that would not have been scheduled for many years in the future.

Coming soon will be a new in-line booster station to deliver better flows and pressures in the Tyngsboro side of the system leading to the western area of the Dracut system. This booster station will bring additional flows from our facilities in Tyngsboro as they pump to our State Forest station, completed in 2005, delivering service to the Nashua Road area.

Our efforts to continue the undersized main replacement program remains strong and we will go out to bid in 2006 for almost four thousand feet (4,000) of new mains to replace some that are undersized and out of date for today's demands. In 2005 a major main upgrade to some 5,000 feet of line at a cost of \$387,000.00 in system improvements was accomplished.

Our meter to main program remains a huge success and has saved many customers thousands of dollars in repairs. This program, while voluntary, allows for a customer to cover expenses for water breaks coming into their home for five dollars a month. If you have not taken part in this valuable program look for a brochure being mailed soon. This program does not depend on the water rates and has no impact on the system budget.

Coming into my sixth year as your Executive Director-Superintendent and my 34<sup>th</sup> year of service to the Dracut Community I have to thank all of those people who have made my career so far such a rewarding one. From the School Department, to Town Hall and now the Dracut Water Supply District it has been my sincere pleasure and reward to serve with so many dedicated people as well as serving our Community as a public employee.

All too often the opinion and comments of some few misinformed and critic only individuals casts an undeserved shadow on the many dedicated men and women who deliver vital daily services to the community. I am pleased and proud to be one of those people and to serve with them in this community as a public employee.

The staff of the Dracut Water Supply, each and everyone, makes this the reason of our success.

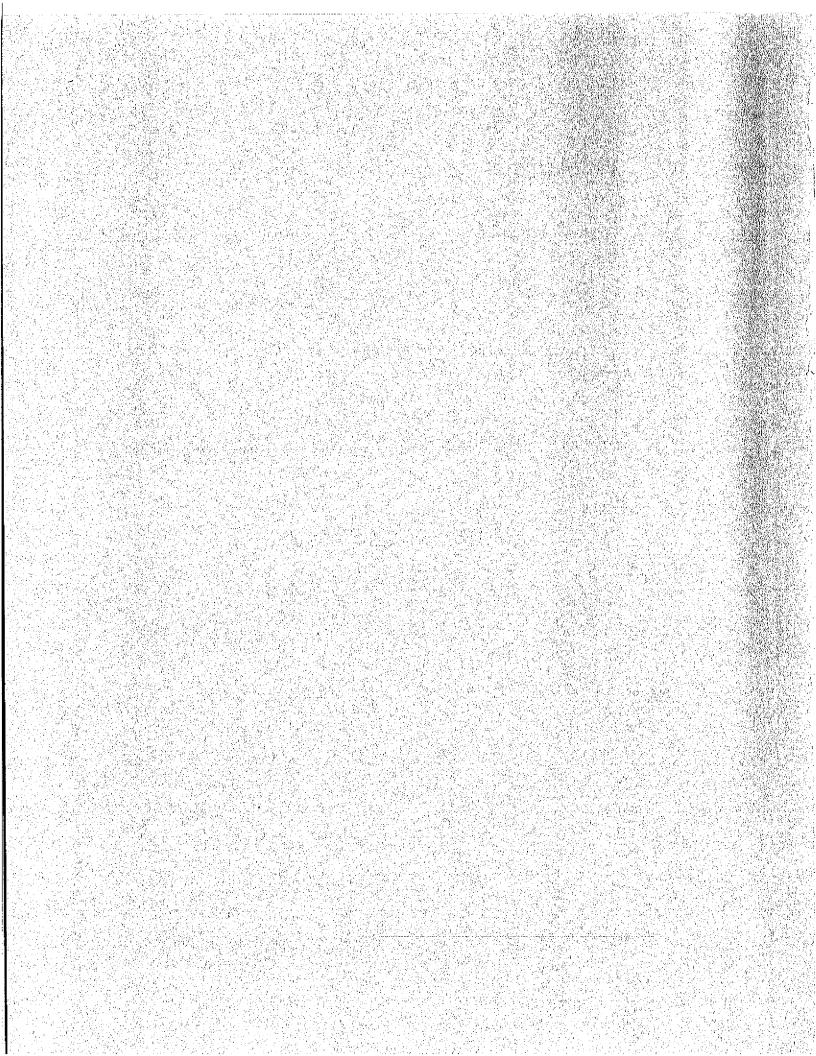
I personally wish to thank each one of them for making my job and efforts on your behalf possible.

I look forward to my continued efforts on the success story which is the "Dracut Water Supply District".

Respectfully yours,

Gary W. McCarthy
Executive Director-Superintendent
Dracut Water Supply District

## SECTION III



# Warrant Dracut Water Supply District District Election May 1<sup>st</sup> 2006

Commonwealth of Massachusetts County of Middlesex ss.

To: Kathleen Graham, District Clerk or Dracut Constable

In the name of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts, you or qualified Dracut Constable are hereby directed to notify the inhabitants of the Town of Dracut, qualified to vote in elections and in town affairs residing in the Dracut Water Supply District, to meet at the polling booths located within the District as follows:

Precincts 1 + 6A	Senior Citizen's Center 951 Mammoth Road
Precincts 2+ 6	Lakeview Junior High School 1570 Lakeview Ave
Precincts 3 + 8	Christ Church United, 10 Arlington Street
Precincts 4 + 7	Campbell School, 1021 Methuen Street
Precincts 5+9	Lakeview Junior High School 1570 Lakeview Ave

On Monday May 1st 2006 then and there to bring in the votes to elect the officers for the following District Offices under Article One of the Annual Meeting Warrant

- (1) Water Commissioner for a term of three years
- (1) Moderator for a term of three years

All on the same ballot.

The polls will open at 7:00AM and close at 8:00PM

And you are further directed to notify the inhabitants of the Town of Dracut qualified to vote in town affairs and residing in the Dracut Water Supply District to meet at the Lester C. Richardson Auditorium at the Dracut Senior High School, 1500 Lakeview Avenue on Saturday May 6<sup>th</sup> 2006, commencing at 10:30 AM then and there to act on the articles that follow:

To bring in the vote for:

Water Commissioner for a term of three years

Moderator for a term of three years

all held on the same ballot, or act in any other way relative thereto

Submitted by

Gary W. McCarthy
Executive Director-Superintendent

Recommendations:
Board of Commissioners - Approval
Executive Director-Superintendent - Approval

Article 2

To hear the report of the Water Commissioners and act thereon

Submitted by

Gary W. McCarthy Executive Director-Superintendent

Recommendations: Board of Commissioners - Approval Executive Director-Superintendent - Approval

To hear the report of the Dracut Water Supply District Treasurer and act thereon

Submitted by

Gary W. McCarthy Executive Director-Superintendent

Recommendations:

Board of Commissioners – Approval to Waive Reading Executive Director-Superintendent – Approval to Waive Reading

#### Article 4

To hear the report of committees having direction from previous meetings and act thereon.

Submitted by

Gary W. McCarthy Executive Director-Superintendent

#### Recommendations:

Board of Commissioners - Approval to Dismiss no reports due Executive Director-Superintendent - Approval to Dismiss no reports due

To see if the district will vote to transfer from "Free Cash" July 1, 2005 Certified amount of \$459,655.00 (Four Hundred Fifty Nine Thousand Six Hundred fifty-five Dollars) to the following amounts by item

Item One: Stabilization Fund for Debt and Liability	100,000.00
Item Two: Repair/Replacement of Distribution System and sites\$	150,000.00
Item Three: System and Site Development Account\$	150,000.00
Item Four General Stabilization Account\$	59,655.00
Total\$	459,655.00
Or act in any other way relative thereto	

Submitted by

Gary W. McCarthy Executive Director-Superintendent

Recommendations:

Board of Commissioners - Approval

Executive Director-Superintendent - Approval

To see if the District will vote to raise and appropriate or transfer from the Water Revenue Account \$ 1,155,967.00 (One Million One Hundred Fifty Five Thousand Nine Hundred Sixty Seven) to defray District charges for the ensuing fiscal year beginning July 1, 2006 for Salary, Wages (Labor), Employee benefits or act in any other way relative thereto

Submitted by

Gary W. McCarthy
Executive Director-Superintendent

Recommendations: Board of Commissioners - Approval Executive Director-Superintendent - Approval

#### Article 7

To see if the District will vote to raise and appropriate or transfer from the Water Revenue Account \$ 1,872,671.00 (One Million Eight Hundred Seventy Two Thousand Six Hundred Seventy-One Dollars) to defray District charges for the ensuing fiscal year beginning July 1, 2006 for Expenses of the District Operations or act in any other way relative thereto

Submitted by

Gary W. McCarthy
Executive Director-Superintendent

Recommendations:
Board of Commissioners - Approval
Executive Director-Superintendent - Approval

To see if the District will vote to raise and appropriate or transfer from the Water Revenue Account \$ 663,480.00 (Six Hundred Sixty Three Thousand Four Hundred Eighty Dollars) to defray the District charges for the ensuing fiscal year beginning July 1, 2006 for Chemicals/Utilities/Electricity related to Operations of the District or act in any other way relative thereto

#### Submitted by

Gary W. McCarthy
Executive Director-Superintendent

Recommendations: Board of Commissioners - Approval Executive Director-Superintendent - Approval

#### Article 9

To see if the District will vote to raise and appropriate or transfer from the Water Revenue Account the amount of \$3,500.00 to defray the District charges for the ensuing year beginning July 1, 2006 for "Out of State Travel" or act in any other way relative thereto

Submitted by

Gary W. McCarthy
Executive Director-Superintendent

Recommendations: Board of Commissioners - Approval Executive Director-Superintendent - Approval

To see if the District will vote to set the salary of elected officials as follows:

Commissioners

\$2,500.00 per year

Moderator:

\$ 500.00 per year

Clerk

\$5,000.00 per year

or act in any other way relative thereto.

Submitted by:

Gary W. McCarthy

**Executive Director** 

Recommendations:

Board of Commissioners - Approval

Executive Director-Superintendent - Approval

#### Article 11

To see if the District will vote to transfer from the Debt and Liability Stabilization account the amount of \$34,000.00 (Thirty Four Thousand Dollars) for the payment of accrued vacation as determined in the best interest of the District by the Executive Director-Superintendent, or act in any other way relative thereto

#### Submitted by

Gary W. McCarthy Executive Director-Superintendent

Recommendations:

Board of Commissioners - Approval

Executive Director-Superintendent - Approval

To see if the District will vote to transfer from the water revenue account the amount of \$10,000.00 (Ten Thousand Dollars) to the Senior Citizens/Discount Program Fund or act in any other way relative thereto

Submitted by

Gary W. McCarthy Executive Director-Superintendent

Recommendations: Board of Commissioners - Approval Executive Director-Superintendent - Approval

#### Article 13

To see if the District will vote to authorize the District Treasurer to enter into compensating balance agreements during the fiscal year beginning on July 1, 2006, as permitted by General Laws, Chapter 44, Section 5F, or act in any other way relative thereto

Submitted by

Gary W. McCarthy
Executive Director-Superintendent

Recommendations:
Board of Commissioners - Approval
Executive Director-Superintendent - Approval

To see if the District will vote to transfer from the water revenue account the amount of \$158,957.00 (One Hundred Fifty-Eight Thousand Nine Hundred Fifty Seven Dollars) which represents the 5% funds collected for the undersized Water Mains & Valves Account as established by the Board of Water Commissioners in FY2003 for the period collected January 1<sup>st</sup> 2005- December 31<sup>st</sup> 2005 said funds to be used to replace, repair and upgrade as determined by the Superintendent, 2" and undersized mains and valves or act in any other way relative thereto

Submitted by

Gary W. McCarthy
Executive Director-Superintendent

Recommendations:
Board of Commissioners - Approval
Executive Director-Superintendent - Approval

#### Article 15

To see if the District will vote to authorize the Superintendent to sell off scrap metals and surplus, outdated or obsolete equipment as they may accumulate during the year, or act in any other way relative thereto

Submitted by

Gary W. McCarthy
Executive Director-Superintendent

Recommendations: Board of Commissioners - Approval Executive Director-Superintendent – Approval

To see if the District will vote to authorize the Treasurer with the approval of the Board of Water Commissioners, to borrow in anticipation of Revenue for the fiscal year beginning July 1, 2006, in accordance with MGL Chapter 44 Section 4 and the acts and amendments thereof; Chapter 849 of the Acts of 1969, as amended and to renew any notes as may be given for a period of less than one year in accordance with MGL Chapter 44, Section 17 or act in any other way relative thereto

#### Submitted by

Gary W. McCarthy
Executive Director-Superintendent

Recommendations:
Board of Commissioners - Approval
Executive Director-Superintendent - Approval

#### Article 17

To see if the District will vote to transfer from the Debt and Liability Stabilization account the amount of \$25,000.00 (Twenty-Five Thousand Dollars) said amount to fund the sick leave excess account or act in any other way relative thereto

Submitted by

Gary W. McCarthy
Executive Director-Superintendent

Recommendations: Board of Commissioners - Approval Executive Director-Superintendent - Approval

To see if the District will vote to transfer from the System and Development Fund the amount of \$60,000.00 (Sixty-Thousand Dollars) to the "Hydrant and Valve Replacement Account" as established February 26<sup>th</sup> 2000, or act in any other way relative thereto

#### Submitted by

William "Zee" Zielinski
Chairman
Dracut Water Supply District
Board of Commissioners

Recommendations:
Board of Commissioners - Approval
Executive Director-Superintendent - Approval

#### Article 19

To see if the District will vote to transfer from the System and Development Fees account the sum of \$350,000.00 (Three Hundred Fifty Thousand Dollars) said sum to be used for the undersized main replacement account or act in any other way relative thereto

Submitted by Gary W. McCarthy Executive Director-Superintendent

Recommendations: Board of Commissioners - Approval Executive Director-Superintendent - Approval

To see if the District will vote to convey the premises situated in Dracut, Middlesex County, Massachusetts located on Sicard Avenue, designated as Parcel A on a plan drawn by Hancock and Associates, 12226, Dracut MA 1"=20', dated January 4<sup>th</sup> 2006, containing 345 square feet of land according to said plan. Reference to said plan may be made for a more particular description, to Edward Furtado for consideration of Five Hundred Dollars (\$500.00), or act in any other way relative thereto

Submitted by Voter Petition

Recommendations Pending

#### Article 21

To see if the District will vote to grant easement for access to a parcel of land from the Dracut Water Supply District access Road off of Hildreth Street to the Well Fields. Said easement to be recorded and grant access to a lot currently owned by Albert J Gagnon Jr. of 2104 Lakeview Avenue Dracut and recorded in the Middlesex North Registry of Deeds Book 5261 Page 135, or act in any other way relative thereto

Submitted by Voter Petition

Recommendations Pending

To see if the District will vote to incorporate as follows the District Bounds:

That the Dracut Water Supply District shall be that area within the Town of Dracut Boundaries exclusive to the Acts of 1966 that established the Kenwood Water Department or those lands presently designated by the District's Acts or as amended since 1905 all other Dracut areas or act in any other way relative thereto

Submitted by Commissioners William 'Zee' Zielinski-Chairman Robert Corey-Vice Chariman William Morin-Commissioner

Gary W. McCarthy
Executive Director-Superintendent

Recommendations:
Board of Commissioners - Approval
Executive Director-Superintendent - Approval

#### Article 23

To see if the District will vote to amend the "Personnel By-Law" Section 11.16A covering employees specifically the "Bereavement Leave" by amending the provision as follows:

By deleting the section that states:

Employees will be granted one (1) day with no loss of pay upon the death of any niece, nephew, aunt, uncle, cousin, godchild or foster child

This shall apply to all employees hired after July 1, 2006

Or act in any other way relative thereto:

Submitted by: William Morin Commissioner

Recommendations: Board of Commissioners - Approval Executive Director-Superintendent

To see if the District will vote to abolish the "Lowell Assessment Account" as established by Article 21 of the Annual District Meeting of May 11<sup>th</sup> 2002 and to direct the District Treasurer to transfer all funds to the General Revenue account of the Dracut Water Supply District, or act in any other way relative thereto.

#### Submitted by

Gary W. McCarthy
Executive Director-Superintendent
Dracut Water Supply

Recommendations:
Board of Commissioners - Pending
Executive Director-Superintendent - Pending

And you are directed to serve this warrant by posting attested copies thereof; one each at the polling places of the District

Precincts 1 + 6A	Senior Citizen's Center 951 Mammoth Road
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Additionally by posting at the Dracut Town Hall Lobby and District Office

Hereof fail not and make due return of this Warrant with your doings thereon to the Water Commissioners at the time and place of the meeting as aforesaid

Given under our hands this 12th day of April 2006

William "Zee" Zielinski Chairman /s/ William Morin, Commissioner /s/

Robert E. Corey - Commissioner/s/

April 13th, 2006 I have this day posted up attested copies of the above Warrant for the Annual District Meeting and Election of Officers at the above listed places designated in the By-Laws of the Dracut Water Supply District and listed above.

Also at the Town Offices inside and out as well as the District Office

Attest
Constable Virginia Courtenay /s/
Kathleen Graham, District Clerk or Dracut Constable Virginia Courtenay
Dracut Water Supply District

#### Warrant Special District Meeting May 6th 2006 Dracut Water Supply District

Commonwealth of Massachusetts County of Middlesex ss.

To: Kathleen Graham, District Clerk or Dracut Constable

In the name of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts you as Clerk of the District or a qualified Dracut Constable are hereby directed to notify the inhabitants of the Town of Dracut qualified to vote in town affairs and residing in the Dracut Water Supply District to meet at the Lester C. Richardson Auditorium at the Dracut Senior High School, 1500 Lakeview Avenue on Saturday May 6<sup>th</sup> 2006, commencing at 11:00 AM then and there for a Special District Meeting to act on the article(s) that follow.

Article 1 (Special)

To see if the District will vote to transfer from the system and development account a sum of money to be credited to the July 1,2005-June 30<sup>th</sup> 2006 Dracut Water Supply District budget as determined by the Superintendent or act in any other way relative thereto

Submitted by

Gary W McCarthy
Executive Director-Superintendent

Recommendations:
Board of Commissioners - Pending
Executive Director-Superintendent - Pending

#### Article 2 (Special)

To see if the District will vote to transfer from Article 7 to Article 8 of the Annual District appropriation of May 7<sup>th</sup> 2005 a sum of money as recommended by the Superintendent or act in any other way relative thereto

Submitted by

Gary W. McCarthy
Executive Director-Superintendent

Recommendations:
Board of Commissioners - Pending
Executive Director-Superintendent - Pending

Article 3 (Special)

To see if the District will vote to waive the system and development fee for St Mary Magdeline Parish in Tyngsboro of the new tie in for construction now underway or act in any other way relative thereto

Submitted by

Gary W. McCarthy
Executive Director-Superintendent

Recommendations:

Board of Commissioners - Approval

Executive Director-Superintendent - Approval

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William Morin, Commissioner /s/

Robert E. Corey - Commissioners /s/

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Attest

Constable Virginia Courtenay Kathleen Graham, District Clerk or Dracut Constable Dracut Water Supply District

# **SECTION IV**

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Payments	\$100	or	more
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VENDOR	DESCRIPTION	AMOUNT
A/D INSTRUMENT REPAIR, INC.	SUB-CONTRACTOR	\$41,098.73
AAA BACKFLOW	SUB-CONTRACTOR	\$6,720.00
AAA SERVICE & LASER SUPPLY	OFFICE SUPPLIES	\$386.57
ADP EASYPAY BOSTON	PAYROLLS	\$4,392.78
ADP,INC.	PAYROLLS	\$1,159.00
ADVANCED AUTO ELECTRIC	TRUCK REPAIR	\$2,061.09
ALIAC-COMMONWEALTH OF MA	PAYROLLS	\$18,720.00
ALL SPORTS PROMOTIONS	UNIFORMS	\$1,296.21
ALLIED WASTE SERVICES	DUMPSTER	\$1,166.07
ALLSTATE WORKPLACE DIVISION	PAYROLLS	\$521.64
ALMO'S FLOWER & GARDEN CENTER	SUPPLIES	\$2,625.43
AMCO WATER METERING SYSTEM, INC.	METERS	\$9,377.30
AMERICAN GARAGE DOOR & GLASS, INC		\$186.00
AMERICAN INDUSTRIAL SUPPPLY	REPAIRS	\$317.45
	SUPPLIES	\$452.00
AMERICAN MATER MORKS ASSOCIATION	REPAIRS	·
AMERICAN WATER WORKS ASSOCIATION	DUES	\$1,486.00
AMERIVAULT CORP	COMPUTERS	\$4,201.83
ANDREW LORANGER DBA WARLOCK R&D	SUB-CONTRACTOR	\$7,387.50
ANTHONY J. TUTTLE	EMPLOYEE	\$1,958.75
APEX BUSINESS FORMS, INC.	PRINTING	\$17,714.39
APPLIED DYNAMICS CORPORATION	SUB-CONTRACTOR	\$7,285.12
ARCH WIRELESS	PAGERS	\$245.84
ARTHUR C. SULLIVAN, JR., ESQ.	LEGAL FEES	\$15,696.61
AT & T	TELEPHONES	\$1,498.88
AUGER ALARMS CORP.	ALARMS	\$5,713.00
AUTO RENTAL CORPORATION	TRUCKS	\$20,260.53
BARRY MYERS	DISTRICT CLERK	\$4,455.15
BARTLETT & ASSOCIATES,INC	SUB-CONTRACTOR	\$2,704.74
BENEFIT PAYOUT	PAYROLLS	\$30,739.69
BEVERLY L. KLEY	OFFICE	\$12,650.00
BORDEN & REMINGTON CORP.	LAB SUPPLIES	\$53,992.63
BROX INDUSTRIES, INC.	HOT-TOP, GRAVEL	\$14,579.92
BUXTON SERVICE, INC	SUB-CONTRACTOR	\$9,878.84
C & A AWARDS	OFFICE SUPPLIES	\$198.00
C.A. TURNER CO. INC.	SUPPLIES	\$513.43
CARUS CORPORATION	LAB SUPPLIES	\$26,123.86
CDW GOVERNMENT, INC.	COMPUTERS	\$2,667.85
CHANNING L. BETE COMPANY, INC.	OFFICE SUPPLIES	\$909.50
CHEVROLET OF LOWELL	TRUCK REPAIR	\$1,150.00
CHRISTOPHER J. CROWLEY	WATER REFUND	\$449.06
CITY OF LOWELL	WATER PURCHASE	\$745,721.72
COLONIAL FLORIST INC	OFFICE EXPENSE	\$395.50
COLONIAL PEST CONTROL	SUB-CONTRACTOR	\$280.00
COMCAST	OFFICE EXPENSE	\$1,188.00
COMMONWEALTH OF MA	LICENSES	\$234.00
COMMONWEALTH OF MA D.E.P	D.E.P. ASSESSMENT	\$5,959.27
CONCORD HERITAGE -(Group only)	INSURANCE	\$642.40
CONCORD HERITAGE LIFE INSURANCE	EMPLOYEE'S SHARE- INSURANCE	\$1,652.24
D.L. MAHER a division of Boart Longyear Company	SUB-CONTRACTOR	\$15,032.51
DATEL COMMUNICATIONS	OFFICE EXPENSE	\$190.00

DAVID M. MURPHY PLUMBING HEATING & GAS FITTING, IN	SUB-CONTRACTOR	\$20,493.17
DAY ASSOCIATES, INC.	SUPPLIES	\$648.90
DEBRA VINAL	REIMBURSEMENT	\$181.88
DEBRA VINAL	EMPLOYEE	\$58,146.96
DELL MARKETING L.P.	COMPUTERS	\$10,649.88
DELL SERVICE SALES	COMPUTERS	\$10,356.08
DOHERTY SIGN CO.	SIGNS	\$2,702.00
DONNA YACKEL	MODERATOR	\$500.00
DRACUT AUTO PARTS, INC.	TRUCK REPAIR	\$275.78
DRACUT PERFORMANCE	SUB-CONTRACTOR	\$155.00
DRACUT POST OFFICE	POSTAGE	\$1,116.35
DRACUT PUBLIC SCHOOLS	HALL RENTAL	\$356.81
DRACUT SEWER SERVICE, INC	SUB-CONTRACTOR	\$262,568.36
DRACUT TIRE SHOP	TRUCK REPAIR	\$406.00
DRACUT TRUE VALUE	SUPPLIES	\$2,341.42
DRACUT WATER SUPPLY DISTRICT	SUPPLIES	\$70,486.64
DRACUT WATER SUPPLY DISTRICT	SUPPLIES	\$323.23
DRUM HILL FORD, INC.	TRUCK REPAIR	\$473.95
E.H. WACHS COMPANY	EQUIPMENT PURCHASE	\$10,210.00
E.I.T.S. VIDEO SYSTEMS	SECURITY	\$6,676.00
E.J. PRESCOTT, INC.	SUPPLIES	\$41,266.28
EASTERN PROPANE	PROPANE	\$995.93
EASTON WINWATER WORKS CO.	METERS	\$17,995.86
EDWARD L. MORRIS, JR	LEGAL FEES	\$9,999.97
ELECTRICAL DISTRIBUTORS, INC.	SUPPLIES	\$3,862.36
ENDEAVOR TOOL CO., LLC	SUPPLIES	\$411.00
ENTERPRISE BANK AND TRUST CO.	BANK CHARGES	\$4,818.25
ENVIRONMENTAL SHEET METAL SYSTEMS, INC.	SUB-CONTRACTOR	\$4,546.00
ESRI	COMPUTERS	\$5,625.00
EXCHANGE NETWORK, INC.	ANSWERING SERVICE	\$1,417.60
FEDEX	FREIGHT EXPENSE	\$457.45
FIRST BANKCARD	SUPPLIES	\$5,509.55
FRIENDLY BARRY'S	GASOLINE	\$239.91
FRONTIER RESEARCH	LAB TESTING	\$20,075.00
G.MITCHELL & ASSOCIATES	SUB-CONTRACTOR	\$107,058.22
GARY MCCARTHY-	REIMBURSEMENT	\$40.00
GARY W. MCCARTHY	EMPLOYEE	\$102,617.46
GMAC PAYMENT PROCESSING CENTER	EQUIPMENT PURCHASE	\$13,504.92
GRAND RENTAL STATION	EQUIPMENT RENTAL	\$211.20
H2O SOFTWARE	COMPUTERS	\$1,575.00
HACH COMPANY	LAB SUPPLIES	\$2,004.35
HARCROS CHEMICAL GROUP	LAB SUPPLIES	\$4,825.00
HARMON'S PAINT & WALLPAPER	SUPPLIES	\$495.94
HARRIS COMPUTER SYSTEMS	BILLING SYSTEMS	\$5,185.00
HEATH CONSULTANTS	SUB-CONTRACTOR	\$1,578.11
HOME DEPOT	SUPPLIES	\$165.00
IRA DODGE OF LOWELL	TRUCK REPAIR	\$2,184.63
ITRON, INC	SUPPORT	\$2,889.50
J.G. MaCLELLAN CONCRETE CO., INC	SUPPLIES	\$440.00
JAKON DEVELOPMENT CORP.	SUB-CONTRACTOR	\$5,500.00
JAYNE BOISSONNEAULT	BOARD SECRETARY	\$8,249.01

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JD CONSTRUCTION & EXCAVATION	SUB-CONTRACTOR	\$400.00
JOHN HUDZIK	REIMBURSEMENT	\$129.85
JOHN HUDZIK	EMPLOYEE	\$56,658.85
JOHN LAFFEY	EMPLOYEE	\$44,226.07
JOHN McPHILLIPS	SUB-CONTRACTOR	\$450.00
JOHN R. MICHAUD CO., P.C.	SUB-CONTRACTOR	\$1,385.00
KATHLEEN M. GRAHAM	DISTRICT CLERK	\$833.34
KELLEY A. CHASSE	EMPLOYEE	\$22,796.36
KEYSPAN ENGERY DELIVERY	HEAT FOR BUILDINGS	\$7,130.96
KINSMEN CORPORATION	SUB-CONTRACTOR	\$63,390.65
LAYNE CHRISTENSEN COMPANY	SUB-CONTRACTOR	\$18,805.02
LEBLANC GEN. CONTRACTOR	SUB-CONTRACTOR	\$9,925.00
LESSARD TELEPHONE SERV., INC	OFFICE EXPENSE	\$505.00
LEWIS ENGINEERING, PLLC	SUB-CONTRACTOR	\$32,925.00
LIBERTY FLAG & SPECIALTY CO.	SUPPLIES	\$117.67
LONGWATCH, INC	SUB-CONTRACTOR	\$13,498.20
LOWELL AUTOMATIC TRANSMISSION CO. INC.	TRUCK REPAIR	\$4,658.38
LOWELL SUN	LEGAL ADS	\$4,427.53
LUCKY BURNER SERVICE, INC.	SUB-CONTRACTOR	\$535.01
MARK R. RIOPELLE	EMPLOYEE	\$89,842.46
MARK S. BASNETT	EMPLOYEE	\$38,615.09
MASS INSTALLATION, INC.	SUB-CONTRACTOR	\$792,077.79
MASS WATER POLLUTION ABATEMENT TRUST	BONDS	\$40,102.60
MASUNE FIRST AID & SAFETY	SUPPLIES	\$138.35
MATTHEW GRIESBACH	EMPLOYEE	\$3,493.73
MATTHEW T. GILL	EMPLOYEE	\$30,516.42
MATTHEW T. GILL	REIMBURSEMENT	\$208.10
MAUREEN DONNELLY	EMPLOYEE	\$34,177.81
MAUREEN DONNELLY	REIMBURSEMENT	\$495.00
MEDIAWORKS INTERACTIVE, INCE	COMPUTERS	\$1,000.00
MEDICAL CENTER OF GREATER LOWELL	TREATMENT OF EMPLOYEE	\$130.00
MERRIMACK JOURNAL	LEGAL ADS	\$472.50
MERRIMACK MUTUAL INSURANCE CO.	- LEGAL	\$1,750.00
MIDDLESEX RET-ASSESMENT	ASSESMENT	\$44,211.00
MIDDLESEX RETIREMENT SYSTEM	EMPLOYEE'S SHARE- RETIREMENT	\$46,462.23
MIDDLESEX COUNTY REGISTRY OF DEEDS	LIENS	\$375.00
MIIA HEALTH BENEFITS TRUST	INSURANCE	\$210,837.81
MIIA PROPERTY & CASUALTY GROUP, INC.	INSURANCE	\$42,191.16
MILL CITY IRON FABRICATORS, INC.	SUB-CONTRACTOR	\$11,963.00
MINER & MINER	COMPUTERS	\$8,000.00
MWH SOFT, INC.	COMPUTERS	\$5,040.00
NASHUA OUTDOOR POWER EQUIPMENT REPAIR, INC.	EQUIPMENT REPAIRS	\$593.89
NATIONAL GRID	POWER FOR PUMPS	\$65,858.75
NETTEK CONSULTING	SUB-CONTRACTOR	\$15,975.00
NEW ENGLAND WATER WORKS ASSOCIATION	DUES	\$885.00
NEXTEL COMMUNICATIONS	TELEPHONES	\$7,852.86
NIAGARA CONSERVATION CORP	SUPPLIES	\$2,669.76
NORTHEAST PUMP & INSTRUMENTS COMPANY	SUPPLIES	\$114.00
NORTHROP GRUMMAN	REPAIRS	\$1,214.04
O'BRIEN AUTO BODY & SALES	TRUCK REPAIR	\$565.00
P.J. KEATING COMPANY	HOT-TOP, GRAVEL	\$957.96
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PARAGON CONSULTING	SUB-CONTRACTOR	\$6,000.00
PELHAM BUILDING SUPPLY	SUPPLIES	\$390.99
PITNEY BOWES CREDIT CORP.	OFFICE EQUIPMENT	\$4,579.65
PITT PIPELINE	BOND REFUND	\$3,000.00
PORTLAND WATER DISTRICT	TRAINING	\$1,000.00
POSTAGE BY PHONE - RESERVE ACCOUNT	POSTAGE	\$9,800.00
POWER PRODUCTS	SUPPLIES	\$1,772.15
PRECISE INDUSTRIES, INC	SUPPLIES	\$475.00
PUBLIC WORKS SUPPLY COMPANY	SUPPLIES	\$44,206.33
R.D. VINAL & SONS, INC.	SUB-CONTRACTOR	\$39,565.60
R.L. PROULX ELECTRIC	SUB-CONTRACTOR	\$58,385.80
REGINA MOSTONE	SUB-CONTRACTOR	\$3,007.50
RH WHITE CONSTRUCTION CO., INC.	SUB-CONTRACTOR	\$58,436.22
RICCA CHEMICAL COMPANY LLC	LAB SUPPLIES	\$452.18
ROBERT COREY	CAR ALLOWANCE	\$156.66
ROBERT E. COREY	COMMISSIONER	\$2,500.00
ROBERT HALF TECHNOLOGY	SUB-CONTRACTOR	\$19,077.76
ROBERT P. BROWN	EMPLOYEE	\$1,207.50
ROSELLI, CLARK & ASSOCIATES	AUDITOR	\$12,500.00
SAM'S CLUB	SUPPLIES	\$1,730.60
SCHWAAB, INC.	OFFICE SUPPLIES	\$128.95
SCOTT'S FOOD MART, INC	GASOLINE	\$5,924.88
SEVERN TRENT SERVICES, INC.	SUPPLIES	\$1,070.02
SOFTMAN PRODUCTS, LLC.	COMPUTERS	\$3,577.00
SOFTRIGHT SUMARIA	COMPUTERS	\$250.00
SOUTHWORTH MILTON, INC.	REPAIRS	\$493.38
ST. ONGE SUPPLY COMPANY, INC.	SUPPLIES	\$312.61
STANLEY HOLDEN	SUPPLIES	\$450.00
STAPLES CREDIT PLAN	OFFICE SUPPLIES	
STEPHEN DEHNEY		\$5,549.24 \$48.732.05
	EMPLOYEE	\$48,732.95
SUN ELECTRIC MOTOR SERVICE, INC.	REPAIRS	\$710.25
SUNOCO, INC.	GASOLINE	\$11,278.10
SWIERZ CONSULTING, LLC	SUB-CONTRACTOR	\$10,016.00
TCS COMMUNICATIONS CORP.	SUB-CONTRACTOR	\$3,642.00
TERRANCE RYAN	WATER RATE REFUND	\$352.50
THE EAGLE LEASING COMPANY	RENTAL	\$2,565.00
THE MAHER CORPORATION	SUB-CONTRACTOR	\$521.78
THE VALUATION ADVISORY GROUP, INC.	SUB-CONTRACTOR	\$2,250.00
TIMOTHY GERMAIN	EMPLOYEE	\$41,333.56
TIMOTHY GERMAIN	REIMBURSEMENT	\$139.98
TIRE WAREHOUSE	TRUCK REPAIR	\$1,840.00
Ti-SALES, INC.	SUPPLIES	\$3,245.88
TOSHIBA AMERICA INFO SYS INC.	OFFICE EQUIPMENT	\$5,003.56
TOWN OF DRACUT	POLICE DETAIL	\$36,491.14
TOWN OF DRACUT	ELECTION	\$6,450.11
TOWN OF TYNGSBOROUGH	PERMITS	\$50.00
TOWN OF TYNGSBOROUGH	REAL ESTATE TAXES	\$8,744.78
TRANSCANADA POWER	POWER FOR PUMPS	\$78,077.08
TRUE NORTH SYSTEMS	SUPPLIES	\$4,348.00
TURNING POINT DEVELOPMENT	SUB-CONTRACTOR	\$3,897.50
U.S. BANK	BONDS	\$201,515.00

U.S. DEPARTMENT OF TREASURY	PAYROLLS	\$8,584.34
U.S. POST OFFICE	POSTAGE	\$1,375.16
UNIVAR USA, INC.	CHEMICALS	\$7,774.61
UNIVERSITY OF MASS/LOWELL	EMPLOYEE TRAINING	\$780.00
US DIARY COMPANY	OFFICE SUPPLIES	\$203.82
USA BLUEBOOK	SUPPLIES	\$5,955.73
USI INS. SERVICES OF MA, INC	SUP'T. & TREAS. BONDS	\$663.00
VADAR SYSTEMS	ACCOUNTING SUPPORT	\$5,990.63
VERIZON	TELEPHONES	\$8,103.57
VICTOR M. FORSLEY	LEGAL FEES	\$675.00
VWR SCIENTIFIC PRODUCTS CORPORATION	LAB SUPPLIES	\$1,636.46
WALLY DUNN'S AMOCO	TRUCK REPAIR	\$2,925.67
WARREN GROUP	OFFICE EXPENSE	\$248.00
WATER WORKS SUPPLY CORPORATION	SUPPLIES	\$8,003.39
WELCH WELDING, IND.	REPAIRS	\$360.00
WILLIAM MORIN	COMMISSIONER	\$2,500.00
WILLIAM MORIN`	CAR ALLOWANCE	\$156.66
WILLIAM P. RECORD	EQUIPMENT REPAIRS	\$150.00
WILLIAM ZIELINSKI	CAR ALLOWANCE	\$248.29
WILLIAM ZIELINSKI	COMMISSIONER	\$2,500.00
WILLIAM ZIELINSKI	PHONE EXPENSE	\$70.00
XEROX CORPORATION	OFFICE SUPPLIES	\$489.68

#### GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS BALANCE SHEET JUNE 30, 2005

	General		Stabilization			System Development		Litigation Assessment		Capital Projects		Total Governmental Funds	
ASSETS													
Cash and short-term investments	\$	803,770			\$	451,433	\$	54,522	\$	543,567	\$	1,853,292	
Investments			\$	543,944						1,456,056		2,000,000	
Receivables, net of allowance for uncollectibles									;				
Water rates		192,351										192,351	
Other		3,642										3,642	
Assessments								25,386				25,386	
Accrued income		14,220							_			14,220	
Total Assets	<u>\$</u>	1,013,983	<u> </u>	543,944	\$	451,433	\$	79,908		1,999,623	\$	4,088,891	
LIABILITIES AND FUND BALANCES		·											
LIABILITIES:													
Warrants and accounts payable	\$	270,766							\$	179,559	\$	450,325	
Guarantee Deposits		87,000										87,000	
Deferred revenues		195,993					\$	25,386	_			221,379	
Total Liabilities		553,759	\$	•	\$	-		25,386		179,559		758,704	
FUND BALANCES:													
Reserved for:													
Litigation settlement								54,522				54,522	
System development						451,433						451,433	
Stabilization				543,944	•							543,944	
Unreserved:													
Undesignated, reported in:													
General fund		460,224										460,224	
Capital projects funds		<del></del>								1,820,064		1,820,064	
Total Fund Balances		460,224		543,944		451,433		54,522	1 :	1,820,064		3,330,187	
Total Liabilities and Fund Balances	\$	1,013,983	<u>\$</u>	543,944	\$	451,433	\$	79,908	<u> </u>	1,999,623	\$	4,088,891	

# SCHEDULE OF REVENUES, EXPENDITURES AND CHANGES IN FUND BALANCE BUDGET AND ACTUAL - GENERAL FUND

YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2005

	Budgeted Amounts					Actual	Variance		
		Original		Final		Budgetary	Favorable		
		Budget		Budget		Amounts	(Unfavorable)		
REVENUES									
Water rates	\$	3,690,111	\$	3,690,111	\$	3,396,011	\$	(294,100)	
Investment income		-		-		57,858		57,858	
Miscellaneous		<del></del>		<u> </u>		23,317		23,317	
Total Revenues		3,690,111		3,690,111		3,477,186		(212,925)	
EXPENDITURES									
Maintenance and operations		2,315,370		2,315,370		2,088,741		226,629	
Water purchases		600,000		600,000		296,056		303,944	
Fringe benefits		359,904		359,904		262,276		97,628	
Debt service		258,505		258,505		255,123		3,382	
Total Expenditures		3,533,779		3,533,779		2,902,196		631,583	
OTHER FINANCING SOURCES (USES)									
Issuance of debt						40,515		(40,515)	
Transfers out		(900,636)		(900,636)		(900,636)		<del>-</del>	
Total Other Financing Sources (Uses)		(900,636)		(900,636)		(860,121)		(40,515)	
EXCESS (DEFICIENCY) OF REVENUES AND OTHER									
FINANCING SOURCES OVER EXPENDITURES/USE									
OF PRIOR YEAR BUDGETARY FUND BALANCE		(744,304)		(744,304)		(285,131)		459,173	
BUDGETARY FUND BALANCES, JULY 1, 2004		745,355		745,355		745,355			
BUDGETARY FUND BALANCES, JUNE 30, 2005	\$	1,051	\$	1,051	\$	460,224	\$	459,173	

# GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS STATEMENT OF REVENUES, EXPENDITURES, AND CHANGES IN FUND BALANCES

JUNE 30, 2005

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	General	Stabilization	System Development	Litigation Assessment	Capital Projects	Total Governmental Funds
REVENUES						
Water rates	\$ 3,396,011					\$ 3,396,011
Development fees			\$ 294,406			294,406
Litigation assessments				\$ 368,963		368,963
Investment income	<i>5</i> 7,858	\$ 8,138	10,515		\$ 498	77,009
Contributions and donations					275,000	275,000
Miscellaneous	23,317		<del></del>			23,317
Total Revenues	3,477,186	8,138	304,921	368,963	275,498	4,434,706
OTHER FINANCING SOURCES						
Transfers in		244,304			1,006,332	1,250,636
Proceeds from debt issuance	40,515					40,515
Total Other Financing Sources	40,515	244,304			1,006,332	1,291,151
Total Revenues and Other Financing Sources	3,517,701	252,442	304,921	368,963	1,281,830	5,725,857
EXPENDITURES						
Maintenance and operations	2,088,741				1,361,319	3,450,060
Water purchases	296,056					296,056
Fringe benefits	207,665	25,393				233,058
Pension benefits	54,611					54,611
Debt service - principal	157,618			450,000		607,618
Debt service - interest	97,505					97,505
Total Expenditures	2,902,196	25,393	-	450,000	1,361,319	4,738,908
OTHER FINANCING USES						
Transfers out	900,636		350,000			1,250,636
Total Expenditures and Other Financing Uses	3,802,832	25,393	350,000	450,000	1,361,319	5,989,544
EXCESS (DEFICIENCY) OF REVENUES AND						
OTHER FINANCING SOURCES OVER	/00F 124	005.040	(45 DED)	404 60**	ATO 425	
EXPENDITURES AND OTHER FINANCING USES	(285,131)	227,049	(45,079)	(81,037)	(79,489)	(263,687)
FUND BALANCES, JULY 1, 2004	745,355	316,895	496,512	135,559	1,899,553	3,593,874
FUND BALANCES, JUNE 30, 2005	\$ 460,224	\$ 543,944	\$ 451,433	\$ 54,522	\$ 1,820,064	\$ 3,330,187

#### NOTES TO BASIC FINANCIAL STATEMENTS - CONTINUED

YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2005

#### III. Detailed Notes to All Funds (continued)

#### F. Long-Term Debt (continued)

<u>Bond Debt Issued</u> - The following summarizes outstanding debt obligations relative to the issuance of debt for the year ended June 30, 2005:

Description of Issue	Year of Issue	Maturity Date	Interest Rate	Original Amounts	Amounts Outstanding
Massachusetts Water Pollution Abatement Trust	2000	08/01/20	4.50 - 5.625%	\$ 936,689	\$ 793,350
General Obligation Bond	2003	10/01/23	2.75 - 5.0%	2,280,000	2,165,000
Vehicle Note Payable	2005	04/02/08	0.00%	40,515	27,010
Total Bond Debt					\$ 2,985,360

<u>Court Settlement</u> - The following summarizes outstanding debt obligations relative to a legal settlement for the year ended June 30, 2005:

Description of Issue	Year of Issue	Maturity Date	Interest Rate	Original Amounts	Amounts Outstanding
City of Lowell; Massachusetts	2002	07/01/05	0.00%	1,505,186	\$ -
Total Court Settlement					\$ -

The District made final payment relative to this court settlement in May 2005, in advance of the maturity date.

<u>Capital leases</u> - The following summarizes outstanding debt obligations relative to capital leases for the year ended June 30, 2005:

Description	Year of  Issue	Date of Maturity	Issue Amount	Original Amounts	Amounts Outstanding
Caterpillar Backhoe	2004	7/14/09	4.102%	58,745	58,745
Total			0	58,745	58,745

# NOTES TO BASIC FINANCIAL STATEMENTS - CONTINUED YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2005

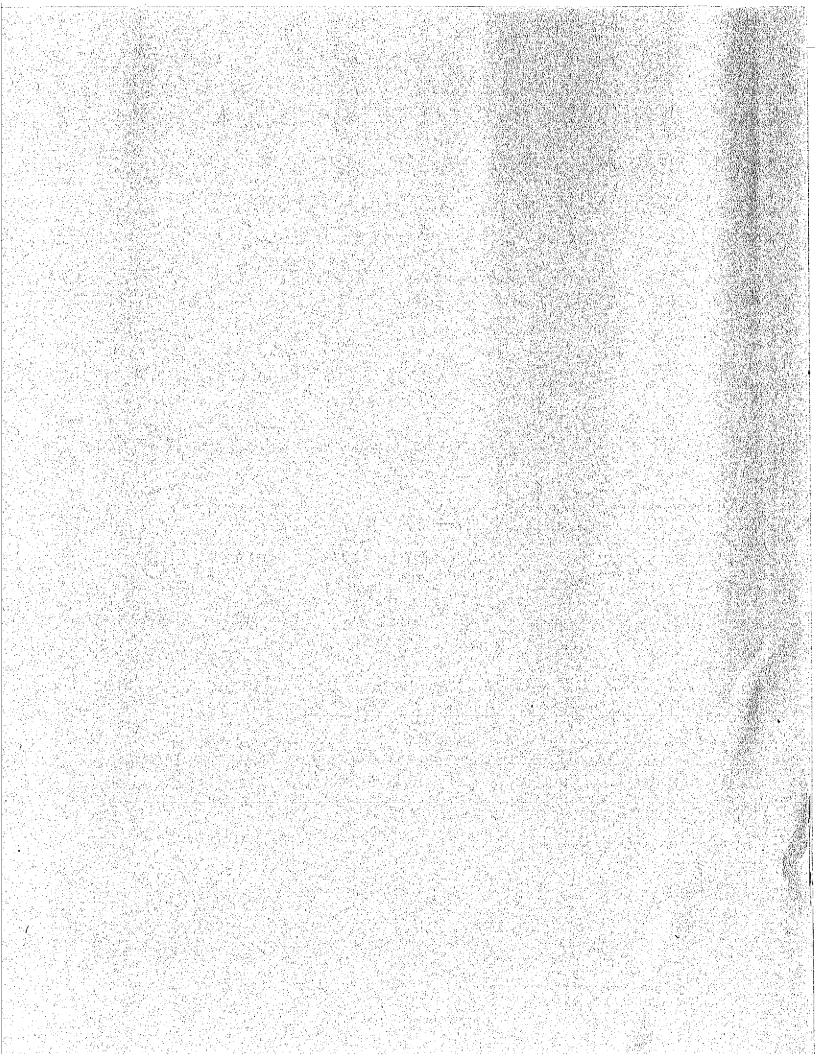
#### III. Detailed Notes to All Funds (continued)

#### F. Long-Term Debt (continued)

Future Debt Payoff - Payments on long-term debt obligation due in future years consist of the following:

Year Ending	 	 Principal			Interest			
<u>June 30</u>	 Balance	Subsidy	Net	Balance			Subsidy	Net
2006	\$ 180,550	\$ (8,488) \$	172,062	\$	124,211	\$	(29,856) \$	94,355
2007	182,314	(8,947)	173,367		115,951		(28,580)	87,371
2008	170,689	(9,518)	161,171		108,705		(27,167)	81,538
2009	172,633	(10,158)	162,475		102,805		(25,657)	77,148
2010	158,280	(10,767)	147,513		97,065		(24,152)	72,913
Thereafter	2,179,639	(169,558)	2,010,081		647,377		(144,675)	502,702
Total	\$ 3,044,105	\$ (217,436) \$	2,826,669	\$	1,196,114	\$	(280,087) \$	916,027

# **SECTION V**



May 24, 2005

James R. Johnson, Director of Accounts Massachusetts Department of Revenue Division of Local Services P.O. Box 9655 Boston, MA 02114

Dear Mr. Johnson,

The Annual Meeting of the Dracut Water Supply District was held on May 7, 2005 at the Lester G. Richardson Auditorium. Moderator Donna Yackel called the meeting to order at 10:37 AM.

#### PROCEDURAL MOTIONS:

<u>Unanimously</u> the District voted to waive the reading of the warrant articles.

Submitted by Gary W. McCarthy, Executive Director/Superintendent

<u>Unanimously</u> the District voted to implement Section 2 of Chapter 448 of the Acts of 1996 for the purpose of this meeting, allowing for the declaration of the Moderator of a 2/3rds vote when in the opinion of the Moderator the voice vote is obviously in the 2/3<sup>rd</sup>'s prevailing side of the issue in question.

#### **ARTICLE #1:**

<u>Unanimously</u> the District voted to bring in the vote for a Water Commissioner for a term of three years, and Clerk for a term of three years, all on the same ballot. The Clerk announced the Election was held May 2, 2005, with the following results:

<u>Commissioner:</u>		<u>Clerk:</u>	
William "Bill" Morin:	2054	Kathleen M. Graham	2305
Blanks:	444	Blanks:	241
Other:	78	Other:	30

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#### **ARTICLE #2:**

**Unanimously** the District voted to hear the report of the Water Commissioners.

Submitted by Gary W. McCarthy, Executive Director/Superintendent Board of Commissioners recommended approval Executive Director/Superintendent recommended approval

#### **ARTICLE #3:**

<u>Unanimously</u> the District voted to waive the reading of the Treasurer's report and accept as printed in the Annual District Report.

Submitted by Gary W. McCarthy, Executive Director/Superintendent Board of Commissioners recommended approval Executive Director/Superintendent recommended approval

#### **ARTICLE #4:**

<u>Unanimously</u> the District voted to hear the reports of committees having direction from previous meetings and acted thereon as follows:

<u>Unanimously</u> the District voted to accept the report of the Water Merger Committee, referred from Annual Meeting 2004, Article #15.

<u>Unanimously</u> the District voted to accept the report on conservation credit referred from Annual Meeting 2004, Article #18.

<u>Unanimously</u> the District voted to accept the report on rate change referred from Annual Meeting 2004, Article #23.

<u>Unanimously</u> the District voted to accept the report on cubic foot change increased amount referred from Annual Meeting 2004, Article #24.

<u>Unanimously</u> the District voted to accept the report on take over of private facilities referred from Annual Meeting 2004, Article #27.

Submitted by Gary W. McCarthy, Executive Director/Superintendent Board of Commissioners recommended approval Executive Director/Superintendent recommended approval

<u>Unanimously</u> the District Voted to recess the Annual meeting at 11:00 AM in order to convene a Special District Meeting.

Submitted by Gary W. McCarthy, Executive Director/Superintendent

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The Annual Meeting was reconvened at 11:10 AM.

#### **ARTICLE #5:**

<u>Unanimously</u> the District voted to transfer from "Free Cash" July 1, 2004 certified amount of \$744,304.00 (Seven Hundred Forty Four Thousand Three Hundred Four Dollars) to the following amounts by item:

Item One: Stabilization Fund for Debt and Liability	\$150,000.00
Item Two:	
Repair/Replacement of Distribution System and sites	\$100,000.00
Item Three: AMR Project Account	\$400,000.00
Item Four:	
General Stabilization Account	\$ 94,304.00
Total	\$744,304.00

Submitted by Gary W. McCarthy, Executive Director/Superintendent Board of Commissioners recommended approval Executive Director/Superintendent recommended approval

#### ARTICLE #6:

<u>Unanimously</u> the District voted to raise and appropriate or transfer from the Water Revenue Account \$ 1,043,198.00 (One Million Forty Three Thousand One Hundred Ninety Eight Dollars) to defray District charges for the ensuing fiscal year beginning July 1, 2005 for Salary, Wages (Labor), Employee benefits.

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#### **ARTICLE #7:**

<u>Unanimously</u> the District voted to raise and appropriate or transfer from the Water Revenue Account \$1,841,908.00 (One Million Eight Hundred Forty One Thousand Nine Hundred Eight Dollars) to defray District charges for the ensuing fiscal year beginning July 1, 2005 for Expenses of the District Operations.

Submitted by Gary W. McCarthy, Executive Director/Superintendent Board of Commissioners recommended approval Executive Director/Superintendent recommended approval

#### **ARTICLE #8:**

<u>Unanimously</u> the District voted to raise and appropriate or transfer from the Water Revenue Account \$ 655,980.00 (Six Hundred Fifty Five Thousand Nine Hundred Eighty Dollars) to defray the District charges for the ensuing fiscal year beginning July 1, 2005 for Chemicals/Utilities/Electricity related to Operations of the District.

Submitted by Gary W. McCarthy, Executive Director/Superintendent Board of Commissioners recommended approval Executive Director/Superintendent recommended approval

#### ARTICLE #9:

<u>Unanimously</u> the District voted to raise and appropriate or transfer from the Water Revenue Account the amount of \$3,500.00 to defray the District charges for the ensuing year beginning July 1, 2005 for "Out of State Travel".

Submitted by Gary W. McCarthy, Executive Director/Superintendent Board of Commissioners recommended approval Executive Director/Superintendent recommended approval

#### ARTICLE #10:

<u>Unanimously</u> the District voted to set the salary of elected officials as follows:

Commissioners \$2,500.00 per year Moderator: \$500.00 per year Clerk \$5,000.00 per year

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#### **ARTICLE #11:**

<u>Unanimously</u> the District voted to transfer from the Debt and Liability Stabilization account the amount of \$30,000.00 (Thirty Thousand Dollars) for the payment of accrued vacation as determined in the best interest of the District by the Superintendent-Executive Director.

Submitted by Gary W. McCarthy, Executive Director/Superintendent Board of Commissioners recommended approval Executive Director/Superintendent recommended approval

#### **ARTICLE #12:**

<u>Unanimously</u> the District voted to transfer from the Water Revenue Account the amount of \$10,000.00 (Ten Thousand Dollars) to the Senior Citizens/Discount Program Fund.

Submitted by Gary W. McCarthy, Executive Director/Superintendent Board of Commissioners recommended approval Executive Director/Superintendent recommended approval

#### **ARTICLE #13:**

<u>Unanimously</u> the District voted to authorize the District Treasurer to enter into compensating balance agreements during the fiscal year beginning on July 1, 2005, as permitted by General Laws, Chapter 44, Section 5F.

Submitted by Gary W. McCarthy, Executive Director/Superintendent Board of Commissioners recommended approval Executive Director/Superintendent recommended approval

#### **ARTICLE #14:**

<u>Unanimously</u> the District voted to transfer from the Water Revenue Account the amount of \$156,332.00 (One Hundred Fifty Six Thousand Three Hundred Thirty Two Dollars) which represents the 5% funds collected for the undersized Water Mains & Valves Account as established by the Board of Water Commissioners FY2003 for the period collected January 1, 2004 through December 31, 2004, said funds to be used to replace, repair and upgrade as determined by the Superintendent, 2" and undersized mains and valves.

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#### **ARTICLE #15:**

<u>Unanimously</u> the District voted to authorize the Superintendent to sell off scrap metals and surplus, outdated or obsolete equipment as they may accumulate during the year.

Submitted by Gary W. McCarthy, Executive Director/Superintendent Board of Commissioners recommended approval Executive Director/Superintendent recommended approval

#### **ARTICLE #16:**

<u>Unanimously</u> the District voted to authorize the Treasurer with the approval of the Board of Water Commissioners, to borrow in anticipation of Revenue for the fiscal year beginning July 1, 2005, in accordance with MGL Chapter 44 Section 4 and the acts and amendments thereof; Chapter 849 of the Acts of 1969, as amended and to renew any notes as may be given for a period of less than one year in accordance with MGL Chapter 44, Section 17.

Submitted by Gary W. McCarthy, Executive Director/Superintendent Board of Commissioners recommended approval Executive Director/Superintendent recommended approval

#### **ARTICLE #17:**

<u>Unanimously</u> the District voted to amend the Dracut Water Supply District Rate By Law Structure by including the following:

"Conservation Credit Program"

Any account within a billing cycle that consumes less than the minimum allowable in the billing cycle shall be given a "Conservation Credit".

The Conservation Credit shall be based on 10% of the base rate as it may be set from time to time. The Credit shall be applied equally as determined by the billing cycles.

For example, based on a quarterly bill with the current 2005 base rate of \$210.00 per year, the Credit would be \$5.25 per bill.

Submitted by Gary W. McCarthy, Executive Director/Superintendent Board of Commissioners recommended approval to refer to Committee Executive Director/Superintendent recommended approval to refer to Committee DWSD Annual District Meeting – May 7, 2005 Page 7 of 11

#### **ARTICLE #18:**

<u>Unanimously</u> the District voted to transfer from the Debt and Liability Stabilization Account the amount of \$16,000.00 (Sixteen Thousand Dollars) said amount to fund the Sick Leave Excess Account.

Submitted by Gary W. McCarthy, Executive Director/Superintendent Board of Commissioners recommended approval Executive Director/Superintendent recommended approval

#### **ARTICLE #19:**

<u>Unanimously</u> the District voted to add the following By-Law regarding Unauthorized Hydrant Use:

Use of Hydrants: No person may operate, open, tamper with or cause to be connected any hydrant within the Dracut Water Supply (DWSD) system without authorization of the District. All hydrants whether directly or indirectly connected to the DWSD system shall fall under the exclusive control of the DWSD. Any person operating, opening, tampering with or causing to be connected for any use of a hydrant without the express consent of the DWSD shall be subject to a fine of not less than \$500.00 and shall pay for the expense to test and assure that the hydrant operated without consent is operational and in good repair. The District shall also, if it deems necessary, make any repair or perform any test to assure said operational status and said costs shall be assessed to the person, persons or company that performed the illegal use. The District may pursue with the District Attorney of the County of Middlesex charges against said person, persons, agency or company for theft of water and any subsequent charges or costs that the District may cause to suffer damages.

The DWSD may seek any and all damages, fees and penalties as the laws shall allow both civilly and criminally against any person, persons, agency or company operating any hydrant within the DWSD system without the consent of the DWSD.

Consent shall be the written authorization of the Superintendent. (Exceptions shall be the Dracut DPW and Dracut Fire Departments both of which except for emergencies shall notify the Department by calling prior to operation of any hydrant. The dispatch of the water department will note in the daily log each such call).

Submitted by Gary W. McCarthy, Executive Director/Superintendent Board of Commissioners recommended approval Executive Director/Superintendent recommended approval

#### **ARTICLE #20:**

<u>Unanimously</u> the District voted to transfer from the System and Development Fees Account the sum of \$350,000.00 (Three Hundred Fifty Thousand Dollars) said sum to be used for the undersized main replacement account.

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#### ARTICLE #20 (Cont'd):

Submitted by Gary W. McCarthy, Executive Director/Superintendent Board of Commissioners recommended approval Executive Director/Superintendent recommended approval

#### ARTICLE #21:

<u>Unanimously</u> the District voted to establish the Well Fields Improvement Account, said account to be funded for the sole purpose of and costs relating to the design, construction, or upgrades to the District Well Fields. That the Board of Water Commissioners as authorized may establish from time to time a fixed assessment to water accounts by vote of the Board or future vote of the District at any Annual or Special Meeting and that the Treasurer shall credit the same to this account.

Submitted by Gary W. McCarthy, Executive Director/Superintendent Board of Commissioners recommended approval to refer to Committee Executive Director/Superintendent recommended approval to refer to Committee

#### **ARTICLE #22:**

<u>Unanimously</u> the District voted to authorize the Board of Water Commissioners to petition the legislature to amend (Chapter 433 of the Acts of 1905) the enabling legislation as it pertains to the following:

Whenever a connection is made, either directly or indirectly, to any water main supplied by the District, a permanent water system development fee shall be assessed. The fee shall be that which is in effect on June first, of each year or as may be set by any Annual or Special meeting of the District.

The permanent water system and development fee shall be three thousand five hundred dollars per unit or as may be changed from time to time by vote of the Annual or Special District Meeting. The number of units shall be determined as follows:

#### **RESIDENTIAL** (New Construction)

- 1. Each single family building connected directly or indirectly to the District water main shall be assessed as one unit.
- 2. Each dwelling unit in a multiple dwelling, whether connected to the District main directly or indirectly, and whether in one or more buildings shall each be assessed as a unit. For the purposes of this section, multiple family dwellings shall be deemed to include, but not limited to, more than a single family building, apartment houses, complexes containing multiple dwelling units, condominiums, motels, hotels, condex units or otherwise.

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#### ARTICLE #22 (Cont'd):

OTHER USES (New Construction)

3. For other than residential uses, there shall be an assessment of a minimum of one unit for each separate commercial or industrial use. A unit shall not exceed 4,000 square feet. For each unit beyond 4,000 square feet or portion thereof exceeding said initial 4,000 square feet there shall be a ½ unit charge for every additional 4,000 square feet or portion thereof.

#### INDIVIDUAL CONNECTIONS:

4. Each connection to the system, direct or indirect, shall be so constructed that a separate meter may be installed as per the Rules and Regulations of the District as may be in force or amended from time to time. Each unit shall be so constructed as to allow outside connection shut-offs or shall be fed from a utility room so as to allow individual control of each unit.

#### **EXISTING USES:**

5. When a water service has been previously connected and been in use for a period of more than one year, upon the renovation, rehabilitation, expansion and/or change of use, a system and development fee shall be assessed as follows:

#### Residential:

(a) For an expansion of an existing structure or the conversion of an existing structure to provide additional dwelling units, one unit charge for each unit added.

#### Other Uses:

(b) For every 2,000 square feet or any portion thereof added to existing gross floor space, ½ unit charge shall apply provided that, by a vote of the Board of Water Commissioners, any such charge may be waived as may be conditioned by the Rules and Regulations of the District that are now in force or as may be amended from time to time and if in the opinion by a vote of the Board of Water Commissioners the expansion does not require any increased demand for water use for potable water (fire suppression fees, if any, would still apply)

#### ARTICLE #22 (Cont'd):

- (c) Any service currently connected to the system shall, in the event of demolition, building movement and /or total building loss due to fire or natural cause damages, the owner may reconstruct the premises, provided that there is no expansion of the existing gross square footage, nor any change of use, without assessment of the system and development fee, provided however meter and inspectional charges along with standard water usage charges shall be assessed. The owner shall be required to renew the service line to the main if the existing service line does not meet the construction guidelines then in force under the Rules and Regulations of the District.
- (d) When an existing Commercial or Industrial use is converted to additional units, whether for dwelling or commercial/industrial units, within a previously established account each additional unit shall be assessed ½ unit charge as may be set from time to time. The conversion shall require the isolation by shut off or common utility room for independent shut-off of each connection directly or indirectly. The installation shall allow for independent t metering of each unit contained therein. All such conversions shall fall into the existing gross square footage.
- 6. The money collected under the permanent system and development fee shall be held by the treasurer of the District in a separate account which shall be used to defray the cost of additional water supply, storage and pressure facilities that may be needed to supply sufficient water and adequate pressures to meet the demands of or added to the water system.

Submitted by Gary W. McCarthy, Executive Director/Superintendent Board of Commissioners recommended approval to refer to Committee Executive Director/Superintendent recommended approval to refer to Committee

#### **ARTICLE #23:**

By 2/3<sup>rd</sup>'s Majority (voice vote clearly received and so called by the Moderator) the District voted to amend the System and Development Fee By Law Schedule by amending Article #23 as follows:

"I move that the District vote to amend Article #23 by adding the following language:

Any existing businesses that must retrofit in order to meet new State Regulations relative to sprinkler connection shall be exempt from this fee."

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#### ARTICLE #23 (Cont'd):

The System and Development Fee By Law Schedule, Fire Service Connection Fee shall read as follows:

#### Fire Service Connection Fee:

Any person wishing to connect to the public water supply for the purposes of fire protection shall:

- 1. When connecting for Fire Protection Only and not a water user, shall pay the amount of the full system and development fee along with the Annual Sprinkler charge.
- 2. When presently a customer with the District the applicant shall pay a sprinkler connection charge equal to the Annual Sprinkler charge plus the yearly sprinkler charge for the year or any part thereof.
- 3. New Applications for Water Service and Sprinkler connections shall pay a full system and development fee plus 2 times the Sprinkler annual charge to connect.
- 4. Sprinkler charges are set by diameter of the sprinkler line

Note: All Sprinkler charges are as set from time to time by the Board of Water Commissioners. System and development fees shall be as set by the Annual District Meeting.

Any existing businesses that must retrofit in order to meet new State Regulations relative to sprinkler connection shall be exempt from this fee.

Submitted by Leo Gaudette, Fire Chief, Town of Dracut Board of Commissioners recommended dismissal Executive Director/Superintendent recommended dismissal

A motion from the floor was made and seconded to adjourn the Annual District meeting at 12:33 PM. The Annual District Meeting was adjourned by the Moderator at 12:33 PM.

Respectfully submitted,

Kathleen M. Graham, Clerk Dracut Water Supply District May 24, 2005

James R. Johnson, Director of Accounts Massachusetts Department of Revenue Division of Local Services P.O. Box 9655 Boston, MA 02114

Dear Mr. Johnson,

A Special Meeting of the Dracut Water Supply District was held on May 7, 2005 at the Lester G. Richardson Auditorium. Moderator Donna Yackel called the meeting to order at 11:00 AM.

#### ARTICLE #1:

<u>Unanimously</u> the District voted to transfer from the Lowell Assessment Account the sum of \$450,000.00 (Four Hundred Fifty Thousand Dollars) said amount to be paid to the City of Lowell in FY 2005 in accordance with the terms and conditions set forth by agreement.

Submitted by Gary W. McCarthy, Executive Director/Superintendent Board of Water Commissioners recommended approval Executive Director/Superintendent recommended approval

#### **ARTICLE #2:**

Unanimously the District voted to dismiss Article #2.

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#### **ARTICLE #3:**

<u>Unanimously</u> the District voted to amend the Personnel By Law by adding the following section to Sick Time as follows:

#### Sick Time

Employees may accrue up to 60 days sick time. That the District shall reimburse at the rate of pay of each employee for sick time accrued in a year beyond 60 days. This payment shall be made at the last pay period of the fiscal year in which said sick time was earned. The District shall as part of this plan offer long term disability insurance with a 60 day waiting period. Contribution to the plan shall be in the amounts as covered in the General Health Care plan.

((Note: Any employee who presently has accrued more than sixty days shall have the option to carry over said amount. This shall be noted in the personnel record of the employee.

In the event an employee with sick time accrued beyond 60 days (and noted in the personnel file) wishes to buy-back the excess days, said employee shall notify the Superintendent in the year prior to the fiscal year in which the payment shall be made.))

The Superintendent shall provide for normal budget buy-backs for all employees who will exceed the 60 day sick time limit in each fiscal year budget.

The Superintendent may at his/her discretion fund buy-backs in the current fiscal year if budgetary considerations would allow. That the employee shall and this by-law will reflect unlimited accrual should the District fail to fund long term disability.

And further to eliminate the section that calls for the accrual of sick leave shall be unlimited said by-law to become effective in FY 2005.

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#### ARTICLE #4:

Unanimously the District voted to transfer from the debt and liability stabilization account the amount of \$22,000.00 (Twenty Two Thousand Dollars) to be used for the sick leave excess account in accordance with the terms and provisions of the Sick Leave By Law.

Submitted by Gary W. McCarthy, Executive Director/Superintendent Board of Water Commissioners recommended approval Executive Director/Superintendent recommended approval

A motion from the floor was made and seconded to adjourn the Special District Meeting at 11:10 AM. Motion passed unanimously. The Special District Meeting was adjourned by the Moderator at 11:10 AM.

Respectfully submitted,

Kathleen M. Graham, District Clerk Dracut Water Supply District

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### Commonly asked questions and concerns.

My water is cloudy? This condition is usually caused by a break somewhere in the line that required repair. This is simply air bubbles in the water and is harmless and should clear quickly.

<u>Is my water being treated?</u> Yes water in the Dracut Water Supply System is treated. We treat with phosphates and Potassium Hydroxide; this is to manage the pH level. This helps with balancing the naturally acidic water that is common in this area of the country. In addition we treat with fluoride.

I notice water coming up from the street or my yard, what should I do? This may be a leak or could be natural run off. Either way give us a call (978) 957-0441 we will be happy to check it out.

#### Is there a water ban?

There is no water ban scheduled but we do provide for water conservation measures from Memorial Day-Labor Day. During this time water use outside is restricted on the following schedule. Odd numbered home addresses on Wednesday, Friday and Sunday. Even numbered home addresses are Tuesday, Thursday and Saturday. No watering outside on Mondays. This helps us recover from the weekend use. With proper watering it is not necessary to use lawn sprinklers everyday. There is no time limit for outside use on your days. Please, however water wisely and conserve.

**How am I billed?** You are billed quarterly at the Dracut Water Supply District. Each bill is for the quarter and the previous excess use. The present rate is \$210.00 per year for 5,000 cubic feet.

The Water Department wishes to remind all of our customers that water use should always be reasonable. Excessive watering outside is not only wasteful but also very expensive. Take a moment now to check around your home for any leaks or dripping faucets. "A raging river starts with but a drop of water"

