

**THE WATER BUREAU  
SPECIAL MEETING**  
125 Maxim Road  
Hartford, Connecticut 06114  
Wednesday, February 24, 2016

**Present:** Commissioners Daniel A. Camilliere, Mary Ann Charron, Timothy Curtis, Mark A. Pappa, Pasquale J. Salemi, Raymond Sweezy and District Chairman William A. DiBella (7)

**Absent:** Commissioner Joseph Klett, Kathleen Kowalyshyn, James Needham, Helene Shay and Special Representative Michael Carrier (5)

**Also**

**Present:** Commissioner Allen Hoffman  
Commissioner Byron Lester  
Commissioner Alphonse Marotta  
Commissioner Hector M. Rivera  
Scott W. Jellison, Chief Executive Officer  
John M. Zinzarella, Deputy Chief Executive Officer, Business Services  
Christopher R. Stone, Assistant District Counsel  
John S. Mirtle, District Clerk  
Sue Negrelli, Director of Engineering  
Jim Randazzo, Manager of Water Treatment and Supply  
Mike Curley, Manager of Technical Services  
David Banker, Project Manager  
Nick Salemi, Communications Administrator  
Julie McLaughlin, Communications Administrator  
Carrie Blardo, Assistant to the Chief Operating Officer  
Cynthia A. Nadolny, Executive Assistant

**CALL TO ORDER**

Chairman Curtis called the meeting to order at 5:00 P.M.

***Commissioner Camilliere entered the meeting at 5:07 P.M.***

**REPORT FROM STAFF RE: WATER SUPPLY FACTS**

***Susan Negrelli, Director of Engineering, presented on The Metropolitan District Water Supply Facts.***

***Jim Randazzo, Manager of Water Treatment and Supply, presented on water supply, Metropolitan District reservoirs and details concerning the West Branch of Farmington River.***

***David Banker, Project Manager, presented on information regarding industrial water rates.***

***John M. Zinzarella, Deputy Chief Executive Officer, Business Services presented on The Metropolitan District rate structure.***

**PUBLIC COMMENTS RELATIVE TO AGENDA ITEMS**

Kim Green, West Hartford resident, asked questions regarding the revision to Water Ordinance § W1a, the process of publishing public hearing notices, as well as the industrial water rate discounts.

David Mann, Bloomfield resident, spoke against a proposed Niagara water bottling plant in Bloomfield, CT and had concerns of water levels and natural environmental conditions. He also spoke in opposition to the revision of Water Ordinance § W1a.

Alison Quinion, West Hartford resident, expressed opposition of bottled water due to its environmental impacts.

Oz Greibel, President of MetroHartford Alliance, expressed his support for the Niagara bottling plant in Bloomfield, CT and driving economic growth in the region.

Alicea Charamut, Newington resident, River Steward for the Connecticut River Watershed Counsel, Board Member of Rivers Alliance and President of Farmington Valley Chapter of Trout Unlimited, spoke with concerns of the amount of high-volume users attracted by the revision of Water Ordinance § W1a. She also asked for clarification on the drought contingency plan.

Kevin Gough, Bloomfield resident, asked about the maximum sewer and water charge discounts Niagara could possibly receive annually.

Paula Jones, Bloomfield resident, asked about the revision to Water Ordinance § W1a for promoting high-capacity users as well as the relationship between The Metropolitan District and The MetroHartford Alliance.

Havital Miltz, Newington resident, spoke in opposition to bottled water due to its environmental impacts.

Anne Gustafson, Bloomfield resident, expressed her opposition of the Niagara bottling plant in Bloomfield, CT.

Donna Landerman, Bloomfield resident, spoke against a proposed Niagara water bottling plant in Bloomfield, CT and asked about The Metropolitan District Commissioner contact information.

Val Rozzeti, Bloomfield resident, spoke in opposition of discounting water rates for high-volume users. She asked about the 2012 Water Supply Plan as well as the bond resolution

voted on by the District Board on December 14, 2015. She also asked about the process for revising MDC Water Ordinance § W1a.

Jan Norris, Bloomfield resident, requested data and specs on wastewater disposal and asked if it was possible to hold off on allowing the proposed Niagara water bottling plant in Bloomfield, CT.

Val Bryan, Hartford resident, spoke regarding the location of The Metropolitan District meetings. She expressed that she'd like the MDC to revoke the revision of Water Ordinance § W1a. She also asked about negotiating the discounted rate for high-capacity users.

Ken Green, Hartford resident, spoke regarding Metropolitan District meeting notices, and the process. He also spoke regarding the Citizens Advisory Committee.

Judy Allen, West Hartford resident, expressed her willingness to go to the Connecticut State Legislature to ban single use water bottles for sale throughout the State. She expressed that individual human use of water should take precedence over industrial use. She asked about the rate revisions, special sewer charge calculation as well as the users who would benefit from the revision of Water Ordinance § W1a and if hospitals are included.

Dave Pauluk, West Hartford resident, spoke in opposition to the proposed Niagara water bottling plant in Bloomfield, CT and asked about the origin of developing the high-volume user discount.

Mark Saunders, Bloomfield resident, spoke in opposition to the revision of Water Ordinance § W1a. He also expressed his concerns for future water capacity. He asked questions regarding when the Metropolitan District ordinances can be changed, as well as questions regarding water conservation and considering more community involvement and communication.

Philip Dunlop, West Hartford resident, expressed concerns of future environmental conditions.

Susan Yoriasevecz, Bloomfield resident, asked about the process of having special meetings for reconsidering the revision of Water Ordinance § W1a.

Doug Rankin, West Hartford resident, expressed environmental concerns for the water bottling industry. He questioned finding solutions to change the revisions made regarding Water Ordinance § W1a.

Kim Hughes, West Hartford resident, expressed concerns of long term environmental effects due to bottling water.

Jane Nadel-Klein, Bloomfield resident, expressed concerns of environmentally harmful and economically questionable development.

Mary Fay, West Hartford resident, spoke in opposition of a proposed Niagara water bottling plant in Bloomfield, CT.

**ADJOURNMENT**

The meeting was adjourned at 8:54 P.M.

ATTEST:

John S. Mirtle, Esq.  
District Clerk

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Date of Approval