

**Bangor Water District
Board of Trustees**

**Minutes of a
Board Workshop
February 28, 2019**

A Board workshop was held at 7:00 a.m. in the Hughes Building, 614 State Street. Present were: Trustees Foss, Fournier, Grosjean, Hamilton, Palmer, Sypitkowski, and Wellington. Also in attendance were General Manager Moriarty and Finance Manager Bailey. The clerk kept the minutes.

The single item on the workshop agenda was review of financials for the 2019 rate case. Bailey also presented a projection for 2020 rate increase to fund planned infrastructure projects. Based on year-end financials (including water use that continues to decline), staff recommended a five percent across-the-board increase which includes a one percent contingency.

Board members discussed the financials, and a preference for smaller, more frequent rate changes rather than widely space large increases. The Board recommended revising the rate increase to six percent to include a two percent contingency. The contingency would provide some leeway due to the uncertainty of revenue from the PERC plant and the Fiberight plant, as well as reduce the impact of a possible 2020 rate increase.

Moriarty reminded the Board that a meeting will be scheduled with City Councilors to update them on the rate case. The Board will also vote on whether to proceed with the rate case at its March meeting.

The workshop adjourned at 7:40 a.m.

Dan Wellington, clerk

Ralph Foss

Rick Fournier

Laurel Grosjean

Patty Hamilton

Gerry Palmer

Robert Sypitkowski