

**MINUTES OF THE
CAPE COD WATER PROTECTION COLLABORATIVE
4-5-06**

The first meeting of the Cape Cod Water Protection Collaborative was held at the Superior Courthouse in Barnstable on April 5, 2006, commencing at 7:00 P.M.

Members:

Barnstable	Paul Niedzwiecki	Present
Bourne		Vacant
Brewster		Vacant
Chatham	Sean Summers	Present
Dennis	Gene Tully	Present
Eastham	Jane Crowley	Present
Falmouth		Vacant
Harwich	Larry Ballantine	Present
Mashpee	John Cahalane	Present
Orleans	Augusta McKusick	Present
Provincetown	Cheryl Andrews	Absent
Sandwich	David Mason	Absent
Truro	Suzanne Grout Thomas	Present
Wellfleet	Emily E. H. Beebe	Present
Yarmouth	George Allaire	Present

County Commissioners' Appointees:

John O'Brien	Present
John Hinckley	Present

Recorder's Note – Cheryl Andrews was absent due to Town Meeting.
David Mason was absent due to Sandwich School Committee meeting.

Others Present:

Bill Doherty	County Commissioner Chairman
Mark Zielinski	County Administrator
Margo Fenn	Cape Cod Commission
Tom Cambareri	Cape Cod Commission
Ed Eichner	Cape Cod Commission
George Heufelder	County Health & Environment Department
Sue Rask	County Health & Environment Department
John Hodgkinson	Assembly of Delegates - Orleans
Bob Duncanson, Ph.D.	Chatham – Director Dept. Health and Environment
Other interested citizens	

Meeting commenced at 7:00 P.M.

1) Commissioner Doherty, as Chairman of the County Commissioners opened the meeting and thanked everyone on the Wastewater Implementation Committee and the Blue Ribbon Committee on Regional

Wastewater for their hard work in getting us to this point. He thanked everyone for being here this evening at this important first step. Introductions of the members and guests then followed.

2) Commissioner Doherty introduced Gussie McKusick , Chairperson of the Wastewater Implementation Committee (WIC) to provide some history and background on the WIC and its efforts to date. Ms. McKusick provided handouts illustrating the notable products and activities of the WIC, along with a chart showing important WIC, regional and local water and wastewater projects. (See Attached)

3) Commissioner Doherty then introduced John Hinckley to provide an overview of the Barnstable County Ordinance that created the Cape Cod Water Protection Collaborative. Mr. Hinckley then went over the contents of the Ordinance and the structure of the Governing Board and the Steering Committee. Mr. Hinckley also spoke about the Executive Director position and the hiring process and job description and also the eventual evolution of the WIC into the Technical Advisory Committee. Mr. Hinckley then spoke about the Mission Statement of the Collaborative and its goals as identified in the Ordinance. A question arose as to the term of the members. Mr. Zielinski answered that the ordinance provided “nominal two year terms” and future Governing Board policy to determine staggered multi-year terms of service.

4) Mr. Doherty then went to the subject on organizational matters and suggested a process that members interested in serving as Chairman and/or as Steering Committee members forward names to Mr. Zielinski, who would collect the names and provide the Collaborative members with a package of materials on which to make their decisions. Mr. O’Brien suggested that perhaps we should appoint a temporary Chair to conduct the process. Ms. Thomas suggested that Ms. McKusick would be perfect as Chair. Mr. O’Brien made a motion to appoint Ms. McKusick as Temporary Chair. The motion was seconded by Mr. Tully. Ms. McKusick suggested amending the motion to limit the Temporary Chair term to two (2) meetings. Mr. O’Brien and Mr. Tully agreed on the amendment. The amended motion, to name Ms McKusick as Temporary Chair for two meetings passed with 11 yes, 0 no, and 1 abstention.

Ms. McKusick then suggested that the members work on the Steering Committee membership first and asked Sean Summers, Gene Tully and George Allaire to serve as a Nominating Committee for Steering Committee membership. The process will be to have all members provide nominations for Steering Committee to Mr. Zielinski by the close of business on Monday, April 10, 2006. Mr. Zielinski will then compile the names and provide them to the Nominating Committee for consideration. The Nominating Committee will meet to discuss this shortly thereafter. A suggestion was made that regions of the Cape be considered in selecting Steering Committee members.

Ms. McKusick then turned to next meeting dates and times. General agreement was swiftly reached on 8:30 A.M. on Wednesdays for May 10, 2006 and June 14, 2006. It was generally agreed that the meetings should last no longer than 90 minutes.

Lastly, there was agreement that the towns that have not yet named members should be strongly suggested to do so.

No Other Business. Motion to adjourn was unanimously approved at 7:55 P.M.