

2009 District Elections

In accordance with Chapter 7 of RI Public Laws 2004, an election is to be held on **Saturday, June 20, 2009**, between the hours of 10:00 a.m.-1:30 p.m., at a location to be determined, for these seats on the Board of Directors:

Clerk

(Term expires June 2013)

2 Board Members

(Term expires June 2013)

This notice explains the process, the timetable and the means for obtaining additional information regarding your voting rights, and how interested individuals can seek election to the Prudence Island Water District Board of Directors.

Electors and candidates are defined by statute as all persons over eighteen years of age who:

- 1) are qualified to vote for Portsmouth town officers and are listed at an address within the boundaries of the Prudence Island Water District [OR](#)
- 2) are listed as taxpayers within the defined service area of the Prudence Island Water District [OR](#)
- 3) is a rate payer of the Prudence Island Water District. The Board of Canvassers, as established by statute, will certify qualified electors and candidates for this election.

Persons interested in seeking election to

the water district Board of Directors must be qualified electors of the District. They must obtain a Declaration of Candidacy form for each position in which they seek election. Upon receipt of the completed Declaration of Candidacy form, nomination forms will be mailed to the candidate. Nomination forms require the candidate to obtain at least 5 certified signatures of qualified electors of the District. Completed nomination forms must be returned **by mail only**, postmarked no later than midnight **Wednesday, April 22, 2009**.

The current list of qualified electors and Declaration of Candidacy forms will be available beginning **March 10, 2009**, by request from the Clerk, P.O. Box 93, Prudence Island, RI 02872, tel. 401-682-2981, e-mail info@pih2o.org, or you may download these documents at www.pih2o.org/pdfs/voters.pdf for the

voters list and www.pih2o.org/pdfs/candidate.pdf for a Declaration of Candidacy. Acrobat Reader is required for online documents.

The Board of Canvassers of the District will meet on **Thursday, May 21, 2009** at 7:00 p.m. at the Prudence Island Fire Station, Narragansett Ave., and again on the morning of the election, **Saturday, June 20, 2009** at 9:00 a.m. for the purpose of certifying the official voter list. If your name does not appear on the voter list and you feel that you are a qualified elector, please contact the Clerk or attend one of the Board of Canvassers meetings with your proof of eligibility.

Mail ballot applications: Any qualified elector of the District whose name appears on the official voters list may obtain from the Clerk (PO Box 93, Prudence Island, RI

02872, 401-682-2981, email info@pih2o.org) an affidavit form setting forth the elector's application for a mail ballot. The completed application must be duly executed and delivered **by mail** to the district address so that it will be received not less than 21 days (**May 30, 2009**) in advance of the election.

The Board of Canvassers will hold a Candidates Forum for certified nominees June 6, 2009, immediately following the regularly scheduled Board of Directors meeting. This meetings is open to all interested individuals.

If you require any additional information about the election process, please contact the Clerk at 401-682-2981. Published election notices will appear in the Sakonnet Times and will be posted on community bulletin boards.

Important Dates:

Activity

Candidacy Forms Available
Mail Ballot Applications Available
Completed Nomination Papers Due
Board of Canvassers Meets
Mail Ballot Applications Due
Candidates Forum
Board of Canvassers Meets
District Elections
Results Announced/Swearing In

Date

March 10, 2009
April 1, 2009
April 22, 2009, Postmarked by midnight
May 21, 2009, 7 p.m.
May 30, 2009
June 6, 2009 after the board meeting
June 20, 2009, 9:00 a.m.
June 20, 2009, 10:00 a.m.-1:30 p.m.
June 20, 2009, 3 p.m.

Location

Web site, or contact the Clerk
Contact the Clerk
By Mail to District address
Prudence Island Fire Station
By Mail to District address
Prudence Island Fire Station
To Be Determined
To Be Determined
To Be Determined

Calendar of Meetings

The following District meetings are scheduled for 2009. Unless otherwise noted, meetings will be held at 1 p.m. at the Prudence Island Fire Station, Narragansett Ave., Prudence Island, RI 02872 on the dates listed below:

Saturday, March 14, 2009
 Saturday, March 28, 2009
 Saturday, April 11, 2009
 Saturday, April 25, 2009
 Saturday, May 9, 2009

Thursday, May 21

BOARD OF CANVASSERS MEETING 7 p.m

Saturday, May 23, 2009.
 Saturday, June 6, 2009

Saturday, June 20, 2009

BOARD OF CANVASSERS MEETING 9 a.m.

ELECTION DAY, 10 a.m.-1:30 p.m.

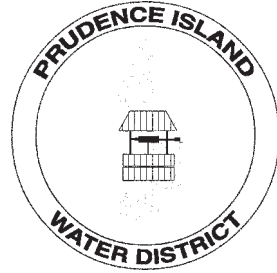
Location TBD

Saturday, June 27, 2009
 Saturday, July 11, 2009
 Saturday, July 25, 2009
 Saturday, August 8, 2009
 Saturday, August 22, 2009
 Saturday, September 5, 2009
 Saturday, September 19, 2009
 Saturday, October 3, 2009
 Saturday, October 17, 2009
 Saturday, October 31, 2009
 Saturday, November 14, 2009
 Saturday, November 28, 2009
 Saturday, December 12, 2009

Agendas will be posted in 2 public places within the district, on the web site of the RI Secretary of State and on the district web site 10 days in advance of any meeting. The public is invited to attend and be heard on agenda items.

The Prudence Island Fire Station is handicapped accessible. Persons requiring other accommodation must contact the Clerk at least 72 hours in advance of the meeting. Please call 401-682-2981 to make arrangements.

Financial Statement



Annual Report to the District Electors FY 2007-08

The Board of Directors of the Prudence Island Water District presents this annual report in accordance with the district charter, Section 11(d), which states:

“Not later than one hundred eighty (180) days following the end of the district’s fiscal year, the board shall make an annual report, including its budget and operation plans to the qualified electors of its activities for the preceding fiscal year. Each report shall set forth a complete operating and financial statement covering its operations during the fiscal year. The board shall cause the books, records and accounts of the district to be reviewed or audited by a certified public accountant. The board shall forward copies of the district’s annual report to the town of Portsmouth, the Rhode Island water resources board and the state’s department of health.”

The district’s fiscal year closed on September 30, 2008. As of that date, the district had virtually no financial activity for the year. The only transaction involved the procurement of Directors’ and Officers’ insurance. Therefore, it was deemed as not practicable to have an accountant’s review.

FY 2007-2008

Opening Account Balance: October 1, 2007

Checking 85.49

Total Income: October 1, 2007 through September 30, 2008

Directors’ contributions 1,000.00

Total Expenses: October 1, 2007 through September 30, 2008

Insurance 1,000.00

Total Expenditures: 1,000.00

Account Balances: September 30, 2008

Checking 85.49

Total Accounts Balance: 85.49

I submitted these figures to the Board of Directors of the Prudence Island Water District at its meeting held on February 14, 2009 and they have been approved for publication. I believe the figures in this report to be accurate and the records of the Prudence Island Water District to be in order.

Patricia E. Richard, Clerk
 Prudence Island Water District
 February 14, 2009

After the close of the 2007-2008 fiscal year, the district acquired the assets of the Prudence Island Utilities Corp. and commenced operations on November 1, 2008. The annual statement for fiscal year 2008-2009 will reflect this change in the district’s financial status and will be subjected to the appropriate review by a Certified Public Accountant.

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 Anthony Simeone, RICWFA
 Mark Spinale, EPA
 Chris Vitale, RICWFA
 Glenn Young, PI Public Safety Officer

Getting Involved in Water District Activities

The Board of Directors of the Prudence Island Water District encourages your participation in its activities. Board meetings are held every two weeks throughout the year, with a holiday hiatus in December. These are public meetings and we invite you to attend and express your opinion regarding water issues.

We also encourage all district residents to consider running for a seat on the Board of Directors, and to vote in our upcoming election.

We understand that our residents lead active lives and that it’s not always convenient or possible to attend our meetings. All of our public meetings are minuted and copies can be obtained by contacting the District Clerk, by mail at PO Box 93, Prudence Island, RI 02872, by phone at 401-682-2981, or via e-mail at info@pih2o.org. Meeting minutes are also available online through the official district web site at www.pih2o.org/minutes.html or through the Rhode Island Secretary of State web site at www.sec.state.ri.us.