Chapter 148. Water Pollution Control Authority

[HISTORY: Adopted by the Town of Canton 10-5-1964 by Ord. No. 56; amended in its entirety 12-14-2011. Subsequent amendments noted where applicable.]

§ 148-1. Authority established; powers and duties.

The Town of Canton hereby establishes a Water Pollution Control Authority with all of the powers and duties set forth in the General Statutes, including but not limited to Chapters 103 and 446K thereof.

§ 148-2. Membership; terms of office.

The Authority shall consist of five electors of the Town of Canton who shall be appointed by the Board of Selectmen. One member of said Authority shall hold office for a term ending June 30, 1965, one member of said Authority shall hold office for a term ending June 20, 1966, one member of said Authority shall hold office for a term ending June 30, 1967, one member of said Authority shall hold office for a term ending June 30, 1968, and one member of said Authority shall hold office for a term ending June 30, 1969. Their successors shall be appointed for terms of four years each. Terms shall expire June 30 in each year.

As of July 1, 2019, the number of members of the Authority shall be increased from five to nine. Two of the additional members shall hold office for an initial term ending June 30, 2021 and two of the additional members shall hold office for an initial term ending June 30, 2023. As of September 1, 2021, the number of members of the Authority shall be decreased from nine to seven. All successive terms for such additional members shall be for a period of four years. The terms of the existing members shall not be changed. A minimum of two of the members must reside within the area serviced by sewers and a minimum of two of the members must reside outside of the area serviced by sewers.

§ 148-3. Officers and employees; records; meetings.

The Authority shall elect a Chairman from among its own members at the first meeting and annually thereafter at the first meeting held after the first day of July in each year. The Authority shall appoint a Clerk, who need not be a member of the Authority, an Attorney, and such other employees as it may deem necessary and shall prescribe and define their duties. The Clerk shall keep a complete record of the proceedings of the Authority and, when ordered by the Authority, shall file the same with the Town Clerk. All such records shall be open for public inspection at reasonable hours. The first meeting shall be called by the First Selectman, and thereafter meetings of the Authority may be called by the Chairman or any two members upon 24 hours' notice thereof.

§ 148-4. Financial records; annual report; budget.

The Authority shall maintain proper accounting and financial records and shall make an annual report to the Board of Selectmen. The Authority shall prepare an annual budget of estimated revenues and expenditures for the ensuing fiscal year.

§ 148-5. Successor to Sewer Commission and Sewer Authority.

The Authority is the successor to the Sewer Commission and the Sewer Authority and shall assume all of their obligations and duties and be vested with all of their rights and authority.