



ORANGE WATER AND SEWER AUTHORITY

A community-owned agency providing water, sewer and reclaimed water services to the Carrboro-Chapel Hill community.

Summary of the OWASA Board of Directors' meeting on April 13, 2017

Please note: *The summary below was prepared by OWASA staff and is not approved by the OWASA Board of Directors. OWASA's [webpage with Board meeting information](#) includes the Board's adopted minutes, agenda materials, staff's meeting summaries, audio recordings of Board meetings on second Thursdays of the month, and videos of Board meetings on fourth Thursdays.*

The Board of Directors:

- **Approved the Action Plan for improvements to the safety and reliability of the fluoride feed system at the Jones Ferry Road Water Treatment Plant.** Staff will inform customers and the community in advance of the date when OWASA will resume fluoridation of drinking water. Staff estimates that fluoridation will resume in the fall. (Fluoridation was temporarily suspended on February 2nd due to a fluoride overfeed at the treatment plant; on March 9th, the Board decided to continue OWASA's policy of fluoridating drinking water.)
- **Approved the Energy Management Plan of strategies to reduce OWASA's use of electricity and natural gas. The Board also agreed that the Board's Natural Resources and Technical Services Committee will discuss options for converting biogas at the Mason Farm Wastewater Treatment Plant to useable fuel in the fall of 2017.**
- **Approved a contract for renovating the Eastowne, Eubanks and Meadowmont I wastewater pump stations.**
- **Received a status report on discussions with Blue Cross Blue Shield of North Carolina regarding renewal of health and dental insurance.**

The Board will meet on Thursday, April 27th at 7 PM in the Council Chamber at the Chapel Hill Town Hall, 405 Martin Luther King Jr. Boulevard and on Thursday, May 11th at 6 PM in the Community Room at the OWASA Administration Building, 400 Jones Ferry Road, Carrboro.