



ORANGE WATER AND SEWER AUTHORITY

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

Summary of OWASA Board of Directors' Meeting on March 8, 2018

Please note: *The summary below was prepared by staff and is not approved by the OWASA Board. 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 agenda and related information for the March 8th meeting are available [here](#).*

The Board of Directors:

- **Approved the proposed Energy Management Plan Update.** The Energy Management Plan provided an update on projects, studies, and strategies to reduce OWASA's energy use. The Board authorized the pursuit of energy saving strategies and further analysis into and engagement on the development of renewable energy projects, such as solar photovoltaics and the beneficial use of wastewater treatment biogas. Updates are scheduled to be provided annually.
- **Discussed the draft operating expense budget for Fiscal Year (FY) 2019** (July 2018 through June 2019). At its meeting on March 22, 2018, the Board will discuss and review the FY 2019 capital expenditure and capital improvements plan budgets as well as additional information about the operating budget; staff will also present rate adjustment information.
- **Agreed to continue discussion of unregulated compounds in water resources** with the Board's Natural Resources and Technical Services Committee and that staff will continue to stay abreast of scientific research of unregulated compounds and provide updates as needed. Staff will also provide background information on source water protection at the same Committee meeting.

*The Board will hold its next two meetings on Thursday, **March 22, 2018** at 7 PM in the Council Chamber at Chapel Hill Town Hall, 405 Martin Luther King Jr. Boulevard, Chapel Hill and Thursday, **April 12, 2018** at 6 PM in the OWASA Community Room, 400 Jones Ferry Road, Carrboro.*