

**Hatch Town Board Meeting
Executive Meeting
April 29, 2026**

Present: Kerry Barney, Kurt Sawyer, Gary Goble, Russell Riggs, Grace Howard, & Carly Burrows

The meeting began at 5:30pm. The council met to discuss the open water master position for the town. There has been no applicants or interest in the position since it was posted. The council agree they urgently need a Water Master. The focus was on re-hiring David Barnhurst, who knows the system well and lives in town. The council spoke about his complicated history and lapsed of certification. They are prepared to fund his recertification, pay him for his work, and set clearer reimbursement rules, because they feel there are no better realistic options and they need someone experienced to manage the water system. Meeting adjourned at 5:57pm