EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE OF THE MASSACHUSETTS CLEAN WATER TRUST

Meeting Minutes

Meeting Date: Thursday, February 13, 2020

Time: 12:30 PM

Location: Massachusetts Clean Water Trust

1 Center Plaza, Suite 430 Boston, Massachusetts 02108

Notice: Due public notice given

Attendees Sue Perez, Executive Director, Trust

Maya Jonas-Silver, Director of Finance & Administration, Trust

Maria Pinaud, Director of Program Development, Trust

Also Present Nate Keenan, Deputy Director, Trust

Jonathan Maple, Policy Analyst, Trust

Sally Peacock, Controller, Trust

Absent

SUMMARY OF DISCUSSIONS

- 1. <u>Minutes</u>: Approval of minutes was tabled until the next meeting.
- 2. Clean Water to Drinking Water SRF Lead Related Transfer (Booker Bill): Ms. Pinaud informed the Committee that she expects the MassDEP Drinking Water to complete their Lead and Copper survey by the end of the month. Ms. Pinaud noted that MassDEP believes that there are roughly 220,000 Lead service lines (LSL) in the state with an average replacement cost of \$4,000. Ms. Pinaud believes that 20-25% of the LSL replacement would go forward in the time constraints (1-2 years) associated with the Clean Water SRF to Drinking Water SRF transfer authority granted in the Booker Bill.

Ms. Perez noted that we need more information about the project deadlines and limits on the use of funds before concrete steps can be taken. Mr. Keenan noted that EPA intends to provide guidance in the coming weeks. Ms. Pinaud noted that she would like to place the program information in the June SRF project solicitation.

Mr. Keenan asked what types of program subsidy MassDEP would like to utilize for these projects. Ms. Pinaud offered 0% loans, but lead service line replacement projects would still have to score high to receive financing, MassDEP is not recommending reworking the project selection criteria. The Committee agreed to review the lead and copper and survey data and wait for the updated guidance from the EPA before presenting options to the Board.

Other Business (Items not reasonably anticipated by the Chair 48 hours in advance of the meeting)

3. School Water Improvement Grant (SWIG) Program Update: Mr. Maple provided an update to the Committee confirming that the Trust has received applications from 26 School Districts, submitting 44 schools, requesting approximately 183 fixtures. These number are tentative as some

of the School Districts have not submitted all school applications, and some schools are requesting bottle filling stations for fixtures with no detectable lead. Mr. Maple explained that he was working with Districts and MassDEP to review applicant eligibility and confirm applications are complete.

LIST OF DOCUMENTS AND EXHIBITS USED:

The meeting adjourned at 12:51 p.m.

Minutes Approved: 6/11/2020