EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE OF THE MASSACHUSETTS CLEAN WATER TRUST

Meeting Minutes

Meeting Date: Tuesday, November 26, 2019

Time: 1:15 PM

Location: Massachusetts Clean Water Trust

1 Center Plaza, Suite 430 Boston, Massachusetts 02108

Notice: Due public notice given

Attendees 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

Absent Sue Perez, Executive Director, Trust

SUMMARY OF DISCUSSIONS

- 1. <u>Disadvantaged Business Enterprise Goals Board Recommendation</u>. Tabled for next meeting of the Committee.
- 2. <u>MassDEP Update on the Lead and Copper Drinking Water Survey.</u> Ms. Pinaud provided an update on MassDEP's plans for the next lead and copper survey for public water suppliers. The survey conducted in October 2016, gathered information related to lead service lines (LSL) actions, consumer notifications and transparency. The agency received 547 responses, a 69% response rate. MassDEP Drinking Water followed up in July 2018 to non-responsive systems to offer technical assistance and followed up with original respondents to offer additional assistance to follow up on items reported in the original 2016 survey.

MassDEP intends to conduct a new survey in December 2019. The new survey will be more user friendly and largely online. The intent of the new survey is to gather data needed to assist public water suppliers with assistance on meeting revised lead and copper rules and map out LSLs across the Commonwealth.

The Committee noted that the results of the survey could be used to expand any lead mitigation activities through the Trust and could be used to justify the transfer of Clean Water SRF funds to the Drinking Water SRF under the new authority provided by the recently passed emergency lead transfer authority.

- 3. School Water Improvement Grant Update. Mr. Maple provided an update on the current status of the program and the activities that are actively being worked on to launch the program and walked the Committee through the Power Point presentation. Mr. Maple noted proposed changes to the program that would expand the eligibility of operation and maintenance to include water testing and better define the initial application round process.
 - Mr. Keenan asked if the Administration had an opinion on moving forward with or without the passage of the fiscal year 2019 supplemental budget. Ms. Jonas-Silver stated that she would follow up internally and report back to the committee.

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

LIST OF DOCUMENTS AND EXHIBITS USED:

1. SWIG Program Update November 2019 Power Point Presentation

The meeting adjourned at 1:49 p.m.

Minutes Approved: __01/02/2020