

**MEETING OF THE MASSACHUSETTS  
CLEAN WATER TRUST  
BOARD OF TRUSTEES**

February 8, 2023  
1:30 PM

**Location: Remote\***

**Minutes**

**Attendees:** James MacDonald, First Deputy Treasurer, Office of the State Treasurer, Designee  
Gary Moran, Acting Commissioner, MassDEP  
Timur Yontar, Capital Budget Director, Executive Office for Administration & Finance, Designee

**Also Present:** Susan Perez, Executive Director, MCWT  
Nate Keenan, Deputy Director, MCWT  
My Tran, Treasurer, MCWT  
Sally Peacock, Controller, MCWT  
Nicole Munchbach, Accountant, MCWT  
Pam Booker, Accountant, MCWT  
Sunkarie Konteh, Accountant, MCWT  
Julian Honey, Program Associate, MCWT  
Kailyn Fellmeth, Program Associate, MCWT  
Josh Derouen, Senior Program Associate, MCWT  
Jonathan Maple, Senior Policy Analyst, MCWT  
Rachel Stanton, Investor Relations and Communications Graphic Designer, MCWT  
Kathryn Armour, Data Analyst, MCWT  
Maria Pinaud, Director of Municipal Services, MassDEP  
Robin McNamara, Deputy Director of Municipal Services, MassDEP  
Kathleen Baskin, Assistant Commissioner, MassDEP  
Greg Devine, Section Chief, MassDEP  
Mary Wilkins, Communications Executive Assistant, Office of the State Treasurer  
Andrew Napolitano, Deputy Director of Communications, Office of the State Treasurer  
Jennifer Pederson, Executive Director, MWWA

**CALL TO ORDER:** The meeting was called to order by Mr. MacDonald at 1:30 p.m.

Item #1

**MOTION- VOTE**

**Acceptance and Approval of January 11, 2023 Minutes**

The motion was made by Mr. Yontar and seconded by Commissioner Moran and voted unanimously in favor of acceptance and approval of the minutes of the meeting of the Board held on January 11, 2023.

Item #2

**REPORT OF THE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE**

**Massachusetts Municipal Association (MMA) Conference**

Ms. Perez stated that the Trust and MassDEP attended the MMA conference and had productive outreach with communities. Ms. Stanton's design work, which can be seen on the Trust's social media pages, was much appreciated. Mr. Honey and Ms. Fellmeth's help with handing out materials and speaking with attendees was also appreciated.

**American Rescue Plan Act (ARPA) Funds**

Ms. Perez said that the Trust is finalizing ARPA documents and will be sending amendments to the Financing Agreements reflecting the necessary ARPA requirements and documenting the loan forgiveness for the 49 projects that received loan forgiveness after the vote at the December Board meeting. ARPA funds will start to be disbursed after Financing Agreement amendments are executed.

**Bipartisan Infrastructure Law (BIL) Grant**

Ms. Perez said that the Trust is working with the Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) and general counsel to revise the terms and conditions to the Financing Agreements to incorporate the new BIL requirements.

The BIL grant will provide \$65 million each year for the next 5 years to finance lead service line planning and replacement projects. We will ask EPA if applications for these projects can be accepted on a rolling basis.

**2023 Intended Use Plans (IUPs)**

Ms. Pinaud stated that oral and written testimony from the public hearing has been considered in the scoring of projects and the 2023 IUPs will be finalized shortly.

Item #3

**MOTION- VOTE**

The motion was made by Commissioner Moran and seconded by Mr. Yontar.

Ms. Perez stated that after additional review and discussion on ARPA fund eligibility with general counsel, MWRA's projects are eligible for loan forgiveness using ARPA funds.

The motion was voted unanimously in favor of acceptance and approval of the following:

***Authorization of Loan Forgiveness for 2021 Affordability Community***

That the Board hereby approves principal forgiveness for Loans to the Borrower, for the 2021 Clean Water Project and 2021 Drinking Water Project, in the amounts set forth below; subject to the availability of funds therefor and to the terms and conditions of the Financing Agreements.

<b><u>Loan Number</u></b>	<b><u>Borrower</u></b>	<b><u>Loan Amount</u></b>	<b><u>Loan Forgiveness Amount</u></b>
CW-21-56	MWRA	\$32,062,963	\$2,404,722
DW-21-28	MWRA	\$9,872,250	\$987,225

Item #4

**MOTION- VOTE**

The motion was made by Mr. Yontar and seconded by Commissioner Moran and voted unanimously in favor of acceptance and approval of the following:

***Approval of Lead Service Line Planning Program Commitments***

<b><u>PAC No.</u></b>	<b><u>Borrower</u></b>	<b><u>Amount</u></b>	<b><u>Interest Rate</u></b>	<b><u>Loan Forgiveness</u></b>
DW-23-02	Fitchburg	\$140,000	2%	100%
DW-23-07	Franklin	\$119,000	1.5% <sup>1</sup>	100%
DW-23-04	Milton	\$300,000	2%	100%
DW-23-05	Swampscott	\$163,700	1.5% <sup>1</sup>	100%
DW-23-03	Warren Water District	\$200,000	2%	100%
DW-23-06	Westborough	\$100,000	2%	100%
DW-22-62	Yarmouth	\$452,650	2%	100%

Item #5

**MOTION- VOTE**

The motion was made by Commissioner Moran and seconded by Mr. Yontar and voted unanimously in favor of acceptance and approval of the following:

***Approval of Community Septic Management Program Commitment***

<b><u>PAC No.</u></b>	<b><u>Borrower</u></b>	<b><u>Amount</u></b>	<b><u>Interest Rate</u></b>
CW-23-01	Bellingham	\$400,000	2%

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<sup>1</sup> Housing Choice Loan

Item #6

**MOTION- VOTE**

The motion was made by Mr. Yontar and seconded by Commissioner Moran and voted unanimously in favor of acceptance and approval of the following:

***Approval of Drinking Water Commitment***

<u>PAC No.</u>	<u>Borrower</u>	<u>Amount</u>	<u>Interest Rate</u>
DW-23-01	Water Supply District of Acton	\$1,000,000	2%

Item #7

**MOTION- VOTE**

The motion was made by Commissioner Moran and seconded by Mr. Yontar and voted unanimously in favor of acceptance and approval of the following:

***Approval of Lead Service Line Planning Program Loans/Local Government Obligations and Financing Agreements***

<u>PRA No.</u>	<u>Borrower</u>	<u>Amount</u>	<u>Interest Rate</u>	<u>Loan Forgiveness</u>
DWL-23-02	Fitchburg	\$140,000	2%	100%
DWL-23-07	Franklin	\$119,000	1.5% <sup>1</sup>	100%
DWL-23-04	Milton	\$300,000	2%	100%
DWL-23-05	Swampscott	\$163,700	1.5% <sup>1</sup>	100%
DWL-23-03	Warren Water District	\$200,000	2%	100%
DWL-23-06	Westborough	\$100,000	2%	100%
DWL-22-62	Yarmouth	\$452,650	2%	100%

Item #8

**MOTION- VOTE**

The motion was made by Mr. Yontar and seconded by Commissioner Moran and voted unanimously in favor of acceptance and approval of the following:

***Approval of the Community Septic Management Program Loan/Local Government Obligation and Financing Agreement***

<u>PRA No.</u>	<u>Borrower</u>	<u>Amount</u>	<u>Interest Rate</u>
CWT-23-01	Bellingham	\$400,000	2%

Item #9

**MOTION- VOTE**

The motion was made by Commissioner Moran and seconded by Mr. Yontar and voted unanimously in favor of acceptance and approval of the following:

***School Water Improvement Grant (SWIG) Program and Approval of SWIG Program Grant***

That School Water Improvement Grant, numbered, to the grantee and in the amount as follows is hereby approved, subject to the terms of the applicable grant agreement:

<u>Grant No.</u>	<u>Grantee</u>	<u>Grant Amount</u>
SWIG-23-03	Our Future Learning Center Inc	\$12,000

**OTHER BUSINESS:** None.

**ADJOURN:** The motion was made by Mr. Yontar and seconded by Commissioner Moran and voted unanimously in favor of adjourning the meeting at 1:38p.m.

**LIST OF DOCUMENTS AND EXHIBITS USED:**

1. Minutes, January 11, 2023
2. Project Descriptions

**\*Location: Remote:** Notice is hereby given that the Wednesday, February 8, 2023 meeting of the Massachusetts Clean Water Trust's Board of Trustees will be held through remote participation in accordance with M.G.L.c.30A, §20, as modified by c.20 of the Acts of 2021 and c.22 of the Acts of 2022.

Those who would like to attend the meeting, please e-mail [masswatertrust@tre.state.ma.us](mailto:masswatertrust@tre.state.ma.us) to request meeting information. Information to access the meeting will be available through the duration of the meeting. However, we encourage participants to request the information by 5:00 PM the day before the meeting.

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**Please Note:** There will be no physical meeting at the offices of the Massachusetts Clean Water Trust.