MEETING OF THE MASSACHUSETTS CLEAN WATER TRUST BOARD OF TRUSTEES

September 4, 2024 1:30 PM

Location: Remote*

Minutes

Attendees: State Treasurer Deborah Goldberg, Chair

Timur Yontar, Capital Budget Director, Executive Office for

Administration & Finance, Designee

Maria Pinaud, Director of Municipal Services, MassDEP, Designee

Also Present: James MacDonald, First Deputy Treasurer, Office of the State Treasurer,

Designee

Susan Perez, Executive Director, MCWT

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William Kalivas, Treasury Specialist, MCWT Nicole Munchbach, Assistant Controller, MCWT

Sunkarie Konteh, Accountant, MCWT Pam Booker, Accountant, MCWT

Josh Derouen, Program Manager, MCWT

Kailyn Fellmeth, Senior Program Associate, MCWT

Aidan O'Keefe, Program Associate, MCWT Esther Omole, Program Associate, MCWT Ray LeConte, Program Associate, MCWT

Rachel Stanton, Investor Relations and Communications Graphic Designer,

MCWT

Jonathan Maple, Senior Policy Analyst, MCWT Bridget Munster, Program Manager, MassDEP

Andrew Napolitano, Director of Communications, Office of the State

Treasurer

Makayla Fucile, Special Assistant, Office of the State Treasurer Jennifer Pederson, Executive Director, Massachusetts Water Works

Association

CALL TO ORDER: The meeting was called to order by Treasurer Goldberg at 1:31 p.m.

Item #1 MOTION- VOTE

Acceptance and approval of minutes of the meeting held on August 7, 2024.

The motion was made by Ms. Pinaud and seconded by Mr. Yontar and voted unanimously in favor of acceptance and approval of the minutes of the meeting of the Board held on August 7, 2024.

Item #2 **REPORT OF THE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE**

2025 Intended Use Plan (IUP) Solicitation

Ms. Perez stated that the 2025 IUP solicitation is complete.

Ms. Pinaud stated that the response from communities is comparable with previous years. There were 188 Project Evaluation Forms (PEFs) submitted, totaling approximately \$3 billion in project costs.

There were 117 PEFs for Clean Water (CW) projects. Of these, there were 75 PEFs for new construction projects totaling \$1.9 billion. There were 39 PEFs for CW Asset Management Planning (AMP) projects totaling \$5 million. There were three PEFs for Sewer Overflow and Stormwater Reuse Municipal Grants projects totaling \$561,000.

There were 71 PEFs for Drinking Water (DW) projects. Of these, there were 51 PEFs for new construction projects, totaling \$1.1 billion. There were 20 PEFs for DW AMP projects, totaling \$2.2 million.

MassDEP is conducting a review of the PEFs and will develop the Project Priority Lists.

The Trust is working to calculate capacity for 2025 in advance of the IUPs being drafted.

Item #3 **MOTION- VOTE**

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

Approval of Asset Management Program Grant Commitments and Grant Agreements

PRA No.	Recipient	<u>Amount</u>
$\overline{\text{CWA-24-10}}$	Hatfield	\$135,843
CWA-24-12	Hatfield	\$136,659
CWA-24-14	South Essex Sewerage District	\$150,000

Item #4 MOTION- VOTE

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

Approval of Lead Service Line Planning Program Grant Commitments and Grant Agreements

PRA No.	Recipient	<u>Amount</u>
DWL-24-41	Braintree	\$241,024
DWL-23-14	Brookline	\$130,2001
DWL-23-47	Falmouth	\$314,000 ²
DWL-24-40	Plymouth	\$42,000

Item #5 MOTION- VOTE

The motion was made by Mr. Yontar and seconded by Ms. Pinaud.

Ms. Perez stated that the Cybersecurity Improvement Grant Program is a new program that offers up to \$50,000 to small or disadvantaged communities for cybersecurity improvements.

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

Approval of Cybersecurity Improvement Program Grant Commitments and Grant Agreements

PRA No.	<u>Recipient</u>	<u>Amount</u>
DWC-24-19	Brockton	\$50,000
DWC-24-18	Dracut Water Supply District	\$50,000

¹ First Revision. Previous Grant amount was \$99,900.

² First Revision. Previous Grant amount was \$128,000.

Item #6 MOTION- VOTE

The motion was made by Ms. Pinaud and seconded by Mr. Yontar.

Ms. Perez stated that the Community Septic Management Program loan to Barnstable County is under a new, income-based program which uses Area Median Income to determine the interest rate of the loan from the community to individual homeowners. The rate at which the community issues homeowner loans will eventually determine if the loan to Barnstable County will remain at 2% or if a portion of the loan will be eligible for 0% interest.

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

Approval of Community Septic Management Program Commitments

PAC No.	Borrower	<u>Amount</u>	Interest Rate
CW-24-09	Barnstable County	\$13,000,000	2%
CW-24-25	Middleborough	\$500,000	2%
CW-24-22	Sharon	\$200,000	2%

Item #7 MOTION- VOTE

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

Approval of Clean Water Commitments

PAC No.	<u>Borrower</u>	<u>Amount</u>	Interest Rate
CW-19-09	Billerica	$\$12,641,969^3$	1.5%4
CW-23-34	Fitchburg	\$27,705,3625	2%
CW-24-20	Lawrence	\$1,200,000	2%
CW-22-32	Oak Bluffs	$$27,600,000^6$	1.5%4

Item #8 **MOTION- VOTE**

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

Approval of Drinking Water Commitments

PAC No.	<u>Borrower</u>	<u>Amount</u>	Interest Rate
DW-23-130	Harvard	$$7,160,000^7$	2%
DW-24-35	Mansfield	\$9,037,200	$1.5\%^{4}$
DW-24-42	Millis	\$3,615,499	$1.5\%^{4}$
DW-24-43	Mattapoisett River Valley Water District	\$5,005,000	2%

⁵ First Revision. Previous PAC amount was \$25,980,000.

³ Third Revision. Previous PAC amount was \$12,526,822.

⁴ Housing Choice Loan

⁶ First Revision. Previous PAC amount was \$26,000,070.

⁷ First Revision. Previous PAC amount was \$4,850,000.

Item #9 MOTION- VOTE

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

Approval of Community Septic Management Program Loans and Financing Agreements

PAC No.	Borrower	<u>Amount</u>	Interest Rate
CWT-24-09	Barnstable County	\$13,000,000	2%
CWT-24-25	Middleborough	\$500,000	2%
CWT-24-22	Sharon	\$200,000	2%

Item #10 **MOTION- VOTE**

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

Approval of the Clean Water Loans and Financing Agreements

PRA No.	Borrower	Amount	Interest Rate
CWP-19-09-B	Billerica	$\$1,281,337^{8}$	1.5%4
CW-22-56	Boston Water and	\$45,397,734 ⁹	$1.5\%^{4}$
	Sewer Commission		
CWP-23-34	Fitchburg	\$24,210,362	2%
CWP-23-34-A	Fitchburg	\$3,495,000	2%
CW-24-20	Lawrence	\$1,200,000	$1.5\%^{4}$
CWP-22-32	Oak Bluffs	$$27,600,000^{10}$	2%
CWP-23-47	Saugus	\$2,956,784	2%
CWP-23-56	Wareham	\$16,000,000	2%

Item #11 **MOTION- VOTE**

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

Approval of the Drinking Water Loans and Financing Agreements

PRA No.	Borrower	<u>Amount</u>	Interest Rate
DWLC-22-50	Boston Water and	\$6,997,46811	0%12
	Sewer Commission		
DW-23-130	Harvard	\$7,160,000	2%

OTHER BUSINESS: Treasurer Goldberg and Ms. Perez congratulated Mr. Derouen on his upcoming wedding.

LIST OF DOCUMENTS AND EXHIBITS USED:

- 1. Minutes, August 7, 2024
- 2. Project Descriptions

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⁸ First Revision. Previous PRA amount was \$1,166,190.

⁹ First Revision. Previous PRA amount was \$20,145,084.

¹⁰ First Revision. Previous PRA amount was \$26,000,000.

¹¹ Third Revision. Previous PRA amount was \$4,698,888.

¹² LSL Construction Loan

ADJOURN: The motion was made by Ms. Pinaud and seconded by Mr. Yontar and voted unanimously in favor of adjourning the meeting at 1:43 p.m.

*Location: Remote: Notice is hereby given that the Wednesday, September 4, 2024 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, c.22 of the Acts of 2022, and c.2 of the Acts of 2023.

Those who would like to attend the meeting, please e-mail <u>masswatertrust@tre.state.ma.us</u> 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.

To ensure that the audio is clear to all attendees, unless you are actively participating in the meeting, please mute your audio. If you have technical difficulties joining the meeting, please email masswatertrust@tre.state.ma.us.

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