EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE OF THE MASSACHUSETTS CLEAN WATER TRUST

Meeting Minutes

Meeting Date: Wednesday, November 17, 2021

Time: 1:30 PM **Location:** Remote

Notice: Due public notice given

Attendees Sue Perez, Executive Director, Trust

Maria Pinaud, Director of Program Development, Trust Timur Yontar, Director of Finance & Administration, Trust

Also Present Nate Keenan, Deputy Director, Trust

Sally Peacock, Controller, Trust Jonathan Maple, Policy Analyst, Trust Joshua Derouen, Program Associate, Trust Ashraf Gabour, Program Manager, MassDEP

SUMMARY OF DISCUSSIONS

Open the Meeting: Ms. Perez opened the meeting after confirming the attendees present.

- 1. Minutes: The Committee approved meeting minutes from the 10/27/2021 meeting of the Executive Committee.
- 2. <u>2022 Intended Use Plan (IUP) Capacity:</u> Ms. Perez walked through a presentation of possible uses of the ARPA funds and IUP capacity amounts based on the preliminary estimates from the House and Senate proposals.

3. Use of American Rescue Plan Act (ARPA) Funds:

Proposed Uses

Ms. Perez said that the signing of the House ARPA bill would result in \$100 million in funds for the SRF to work with. The signing of the Senate ARPA bill would result in \$175 million in funds to work with.

According to the testimony, there are multiple proposed SRF uses for ARPA funds. There are plans to offer loan forgiveness for combined sewer overflow (CSO) remediation projects and PFAS remediation projects. CSO remediation is the highest priority for protecting the environment. PFAS remediation is the highest priority for protecting public health.

There has already been a solicitation process to meet ARPA requirements.

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

<u>Second Round of the School Water Improvement Grant (SWIG) Program:</u> Ms. Perez said that a press release has gone out saying that the Clean Water Trust will be accepting applications for the second round of SWIG in January.

<u>Adjourn the Meeting:</u> Ms. Perez requested a motion to adjourn the meeting. Ms. Pinaud moved the motion. A roll call was held, and all members approved the motion.

LIST OF DOCUMENTS AND EXHIBITS USED:

1. American Rescue Plan Act (ARPA) Funds Usage Presentation

Minutes Approved: December 22, 2021