

**EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE OF THE
MASSACHUSETTS CLEAN WATER TRUST**

Meeting Minutes

Meeting Date: Wednesday, March 30, 2022
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 My Tran, Treasurer, Trust
William Kalivas, Treasury Specialist, Trust
Jonathan Maple, Senior Policy Analyst, Trust
Joshua Derouen, Senior Program Associate, Trust
Rachel Stanton, Investor Relations and Communications Graphic Designer, Trust
Jennifer Pederson, Executive Director, Massachusetts Water Works Association

SUMMARY OF DISCUSSIONS	
	<u>Open the Meeting:</u> Ms. Perez opened the meeting after confirming the attendees present.
1.	<u>MassDEP staffing plans update:</u> Ms. Pinaud said that MassDEP has no further update.
2.	<u>Update on Bipartisan Infrastructure Law (BIL) funding:</u> Ms. Pinaud said that MassDEP is continuing to speak with EPA about BIL guidance. After asking EPA if other states have published intended use plans (IUPs) using BIL funds, EPA told Ms. Pinaud that Massachusetts is further along in the process than any other state in EPA Region 1 and it did not have any additional guidance to share. MassDEP is in the process of revising the 2022 IUPs. A final capitalization grant amount cannot be entered in the final IUPs but estimates can be provided before EPA issues the allotment and implementation memo. Municipalities have been asking MassDEP about how they can access BIL funds. MassDEP will partner with the Trust, and perhaps EPA Region 1, to provide outreach to municipalities with an overview of the SRF program and the loan application process. MassDEP will develop the list of invitees and host it based on the MassDEP regions. As input is gathered and additional EPA guidance is provided, a frequently asked questions (FAQ) piece and presentation will be written to provide information on BIL funds.

	<p>Ms. Perez said that a presentation can be given on multiple occasions. There may be an opportunity to present at the Massachusetts Collectors and Treasurers Association conference in June.</p> <p>Mr. Keenan said that the presentation can also incorporate other information that communities often ask about such as how to apply to the annual project solicitation.</p>
<p>Other Business (Items not reasonably anticipated by the Chair 48 hours in advance of the meeting)</p> <p><u>Falmouth Wind Turbine:</u> Ms. Pinaud said that she spoke with Commissioner Suuberg about Falmouth's settlement proposal last week. Commissioner Suuberg recommends that the proposal be brought to the Trust's Board of Trustees for a vote.</p> <p>Mr. Yontar said that he hopes to have a conversation with Secretary Heffernan about Falmouth's proposal tomorrow.</p> <p>Ms. Perez said that Mr. MacDonald would like Falmouth's proposal to be brought to the Trust's Board of Trustees for a vote. Falmouth should pay the \$975,000 in remaining funds then any additional forgiveness can be discussed after the wind turbine disposition is completed.</p> <p><u>Update on utilizing the American Rescue Plan Act (ARPA) Funds:</u> Ms. Perez said that Trust staff members are working with a group of MassDEP staff members such as Mr. McCurdy, the Chief Financial Officer at MassDEP, who has been named the Compliance Officer for the ARPA funding. Weekly meetings are being held to finalize details on ARPA funds and entering into necessary contracts.</p> <p><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.</p>	

Minutes Approved: April 20, 2022