## EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE OF THE MASSACHUSETTS CLEAN WATER TRUST

## **Meeting Minutes**

**Meeting Date:** Thursday, June 17, 2021

Time: 12:30 PM Location: By Telephone

**Notice:** Due public notice given

**Attendees** Sue Perez, Executive Director, Trust

Maria Pinaud, Director of Program Development, Trust

Maya Jonas-Silver, Director of Finance & Administration, Trust

**Also Present** Nate Keenan, Deputy Director, Trust

Sally Peacock, Controller, Trust

Joshua Derouen, Program Associate, Trust Jonathan Maple, Policy Analyst, Trust

Keelan Baldwin, Intern, Trust

Robin McNamara, Deputy Director of Municipal Services, MassDEP

Ashraf Gabour, Program Manager, MassDEP

Yvette DePeiza, Director of Drinking Water Program, MassDEP

Jessica Sibirski, Drinking Water Analyst, 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 5/13/2021 and 5/20/2021 meetings of the Executive Committee.
- 2. <u>Lead Working Group Update:</u> Ms. DePeiza provided an update from the lead working group set up by the Executive Committee. The group identified the need for a program to help public water suppliers conduct the inventory required by EPA's Lead and Copper Rule Revision. The proposed maximum grant amount under this program is \$200,000 per system.

This required inventory involves identifying and mapping lead service lines in a system.

Creating an inventory program for systems to use would be useful, especially for small and medium-sized systems that likely do not have their own. Large systems can enter results into that same inventory program or use their own.

Ms. Pinaud said that these are just initial plans for a new grant program so details about requirements such as local in-kind services contributions, disbursement process and solicitation process have not been finalized. The working group will discuss and present recommendations at a future Executive Committee meeting.

Ms. Perez asked if the plan was for the Trust and MassDEP to create templates for the informational and marketing materials to provide to the public water systems rather than each system develop their own. Ms. DePeiza stated that was the intention.

The question was asked if privately owned public water suppliers would be eligible. Mr. Keenan responded that we would use the definition of public drinking water system which includes any drinking water system that provides water to the public whether they are privately or publicly owned systems, as is the case with the Drinking Water State Revolving Fund.

Ms. Perez stated that we look forward to the working group's next presentation at a future meeting.

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

**Alternative Technologies in Cape Cod Commission Projects:** Ms. Perez said the Trust had a conversation with the Cape Cod Commission regarding innovative/alternative technologies for septic systems and that communities on the Cape are getting ready to move forward with these types of projects.

Ms. Pinaud said that there has not been State Revolving Fund involvement in these projects because project proposals have not been submitted to MassDEP.

<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. Working Draft of Lead and Copper Rule Revision Strategies for Grant Opportunity

Minutes Approved: June 24, 2021