

CAMBRIDGE WATER BOARD

MEETING MINUTES

September 11, 2012

This meeting was called to order at 5:05 p.m. at 250 Fresh Pond Parkway, in Cambridge, Massachusetts. Those in attendance were:

Cambridge Water Board (CWB): Ann Roosevelt and Phil Weinberg

Cambridge Water Department (CWD): Sam Corda, Fred Centanni, Tim MacDonald, Mark Gallagher and Linda Vierboom.

A. MINUTES OF JUNE 12, 2012 MEETING

The minutes were reviewed with changes to be made. They will be revised and resubmitted for approval at the next meeting in October.

B. MANAGING DIRECTOR'S REPORT

Water Board Package – It was suggested to the board that future Water Board packets be electronically sent to members; with a hard copy to be present at meetings, eliminating the need of hand delivery. The board would like the packets to be mailed (versus hand delivered) to them and to also continue to receive them electronically.

Fresh Pond Reservation Shared Use Recommendations Implementation Planning: The 9/11/12 revised "Shared Use Recommendation Implementation Plan" was handed out and status to date was reviewed. During the "shared use recommendations" implementation process, various sections of the interim plan will be brought to the Water Board for additional review based on feedback received during the implementation process. Additional discussion and final acceptance from the Water Board will be on an as needed basis.

Item 3) Group Permitting Plan: Mr. Macdonald summarized the current status of the running group permitting plan. A common course was set for all races to minimize congestion at start and end points. The first race under the new plan was held today and had the cooperation of the teams and coaches - this run went well. By the time the runners intersected with the public, the group was well disbursed, minimizing the impact on the public. There were more chaperones and monitors on the course and signs were posted on the reservation announcing the event. Tomorrow a larger group race will be run.

The status of the plan is summarized on the attached plan. Points of interest include the following;

- 1) *Black's Nook (item 4b)*: Report on outdoor seating to be presented at next water board meeting.
- 2) *Grassy area (Item 4J)*: This recommendation will be delayed until the status of the Rail Road Right of way is determined which is anticipated sometime over the next year.
- 3) *Other Issues and Items (Item 5)*: Mr. Corda will detail the "Other Issues and Items" for the next Board meeting.
- 4) *Enforcement, Rules and Regulations (Item 5d)*: a second Watershed Intern has been hired which will perform "ranger duties" for about 6 months per year (Spring and Fall) to assist in enforcement efforts on the Reservation.

C. OPERATIONS

Transmission and Distribution:

Mr. Gallagher commented that there was a lot of work going on and in particular in the Huron Avenue area (Brattle to Concord) which will continue over the next several years. In addition, the City is working on Western Avenue and other locations throughout the City. It was noted that more water work is also going on because we are doing more internal work as well.

Watershed:

Land Acquisition: The DeNormandie parcel was purchased on August 30, 2012.

Water Levels: Reservoir levels are at about average at 63% capacity.

Business:

None

Water Operations:

None

Engineering Division:

None

D. ACTION ITEMS

None

E. MISCELLANEOUS CORRESPONDENCE AND ITEMS OF INTEREST

None

F. NEW BUSINESS

None

Ms Roosevelt moved and Mr. Weinberg seconded the motion to adjourn the meeting at 6:05 pm. The vote was unanimous in favor of the motion.

G. NEXT MEETING DATES /TOPICS

- Tuesday, October 9, 2012 – Approved/Shared Use
- Tuesday, November 13, 2012 - Approved/Energy Projects/Shared Use
- Tuesday, December 11, 2012 – Approved/Election of the President/Strategic Planning

Minutes approved by vote of the Board.

Signed: _____
Ann C. Roosevelt, President

Date: _____