

CAMBRIDGE WATER BOARD

MEETING MINUTES

April 10, 2012

This meeting was called to order at 5:09 p.m. at 250 Fresh Pond Parkway, in Cambridge, Massachusetts. Those in attendance were:

Cambridge Water Board (CWB): Ann Roosevelt, Phil Weinberg, James Burruss and Richard Johnson

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

A. MINUTES OF MARCH 13, 2012 MEETING

Mr. Burruss moved and Mr. Johnson seconded the motion to approve the March 13, 2012 minutes as amended. The vote was unanimous in favor of the motion.

B. MANAGING DIRECTOR'S REPORT

Cambridge Water Board Shared Use Process Implementation Plan – The handouts - Norms of Behavior and Area/Section Recommendations for Uses on the Reservation: Black's Nook and Perimeter Path were presented to the board for discussion.

Norms of Behavior - The norms created during the public engagement process are articulated in the form of brief, positive, practical and common sense statements. The intent was to have the current phrasing adhered to for signage and elaborated upon in the educational process (i.e. brochures, web page, etc.). Ticketing for not adhering to the "Norms of Behavior" was discussed. It is conceivable that habitual offenders may be banned from the reservation and ultimately face due process of the law. Ideally, if the users of Fresh Pond "self enforce" under the guidance of the Water Department Staff and assistance from the Animal Control Office and the Police Department Fresh Pond will be a great place to visit for all. The Norms of Behavior were approved by the Board with acknowledgment that they would have the opportunity to review and comment on the signage before it is finalized.

Ms. Roosevelt moved and Weinberg seconded the motion to approve the "Norms of Behavior". The vote was 4-0 in favor of the motion.

Area/Section Recommendations for Uses on the Reservation:

- *Black's Nook* - Black's nook is an area for education and quiet contemplation and as such, only walkers and students are allowed. A discussion ensued about how we would be able to determine the use of Black's Nook and what were the specifics of the outside seating plan. As a result the Board would like to have a status report on these topics.

Ms. Roosevelt moved and Mr. Weinberg seconded a motion to have a report on the status of the outdoor seating at Black's Nook. The vote was 4-0 in favor of the motion.

- *Perimeter Path* – Interim, consistent, signage is planned for the perimeter path consistent with the Fresh Pond Reservation Master Plan. The temporary signage will be installed and evaluated for effectiveness. Feedback can be discussed on a regular basis.

C. OPERATIONS

Transmission and Distribution:

None:

Watershed: *Reservoirs current capacity* – Due to the limited precipitation there were questions of reservoir capacity reflected on the March, 2012 Water Supply Summary Report and the Board requested an update at a future meeting.

Massachusetts Sustainable Water Management Initiative (MSWMI): Framework Summary, Draft - The Board questioned how this will affect the Water Department and requested an update at a future meeting.

Business:

None

Water Operations:

None

Engineering Division:

None

D. ACTION ITEMS

- Outdoor seating at Black's Nook
- System Capacity Update
- MSWMI Update

E. MISCELLANEOUS CORRESPONDENCE AND ITEMS OF INTEREST

None

F. NEW BUSINES

None

Mr. Weinberg moved and Mr. Johnson seconded the motion to adjourn the meeting at 6:43 pm. The vote was unanimous in favor of the motion.

G. NEXT MEETING DATES /TOPICS

- Tuesday, May 15, 2012 – Administration (IT/cross connection/AMR),
- Tuesday, June 12, 2012 – FY13 Budget Update/Shared Use Implementation Planning-Permitting Draft, Area/Section Recommendations for Uses on the Reservation
- Tuesday, September 11, 2012 – TBA/Shared Use Implementation Planning
- Tuesday, October 9, 2012 – TBA/Shared Use Implementation Planning

Minutes approved by vote of the Board.

Signed: _____
Ann C. Roosevelt, President

Date: _____