

CAMBRIDGE WATER BOARD

MEETING MINUTES January 24, 2010

The meeting was called to order at 5:15 p.m. at 250 Fresh Pond Parkway in Cambridge, Massachusetts. Those in attendance were:

Cambridge Water Board (CWB): Ann Roosevelt, Paul Robillard and Philip Weinberg
Cambridge Water Department (CWD): Sam Corda, Fred Centanni, Tim MacDonald, Chip Norton, Steve Lush, Dave Kaplan and Kathy Toppi.

Guests: None

A. MINUTES OF DECEMBER 13, 2010 MEETING

Mr. Robillard moved and Mr. Weinberg seconded a motion to approve the minutes of the December 13, 2010 meeting as written. The vote was unanimous in favor of the motion.

B. MANAGING DIRECTOR'S REPORT

Cross Connection Control Program: With the recent changes in the Cross Connection Control Program we have temporarily gone to contract operations for testing. This will continue until we reevaluate the program and determine a permanent go forward strategy. A contract Surveyor has been hired, as originally planned to survey the entire City and to comply with the NON from the DEP.

C. OPERATIONS

Transmission and Distribution:

Distribution Division Update: Discussed the improvements to the water distribution and transmission system which included the elimination of almost two miles of old cast iron water main and most were replaced with ductile iron cement lined pipe. These streets included parts of Magazine, Flagg, Lopez, Brattle, Lakeview, Concord, Prentiss, Madison, Harrison, Frost, Massachusetts and Oxford. In some additional streets parallel of pipe was removed. Other work accomplished by the Distribution Division included: the replacement of about 100 old lead services, the repair of 49 leaks, replacement/repair of 31 valves, replacement/repair of 57 hydrants, the inspection of 1692 locations and 2665 water utility mark-outs. We have also increased our efforts to perform new water main installations "in house" to cut costs (~2400') and worked under DPW contracts to eliminate lead services and installation of new water mains (~6100').

Also, over the past year about 1700' of the Stony Brook Conduit has been video inspected. As a result we have uncovered two buried manholes and removed telephone poles that were installed over the conduit. We have also are repairing the conduit on Baptist way in Watertown and are working with the town to make other improvements to ensure the stability of the conduit in future years.

Watershed:

Former Polaroid Site: CWD reviewed the Expanded Environmental Notification Form (EENF) including request for Phase I waiver and supports the proponent's request. Awaiting a response from MEPA.

Shared Use: CBI/City hosting a round table session on January 27, 2011.

Black's Nook Site Improvement Project: The status of this project is that the first phase is 50% complete and is expected to be finished in May 2011. The second phase is going out to bid and is expected to start in May 2011.

Business:

None

Water Operations:

None

Engineering Division:

None

D. Action Items

Black's Nook Site Improvements: Mr. Robillard moved and Mr. Weinberg seconded a motion to accept the Black's Nook Site Improvements as presented by the Bioengineering Group on September 17, 2009. The vote was unanimous in favor of the motion.

E. Miscellaneous Correspondence and Items of Interest

No comment

F. New Business

Reviewing the possibility of moving the February 14, 2011 Water Board Meeting to allow the Deputy City Manager to attend the meeting.

G. Next Meeting Dates/Topics:

- Monday, February 14, 2011 – Approved/AMR Program
- Monday, March 14, 2011 – Approved/Engineering Division
- Monday, April 11, 2011 – Approved/Watershed Tour
- Monday, May 9, 2011 – Approved/2012 Budget
- Monday June 13, 2011 – Approved/CWD Construction Project Update

Mr. Weinberg moved and Mr. Robillard seconded the motion to adjourn the meeting at 6:26 pm. The vote was unanimous in favor of the motion.

Minutes approved by vote of the Board

Signed: _____ Date: _____
Ann C. Roosevelt, President