

CAMBRIDGE WATER BOARD

MEETING MINUTES

October 17, 2019

This meeting was called to order at 4:00 p.m. at 250 Fresh Pond Parkway, in Cambridge, Massachusetts. Those in attendance were:

Cambridge Water Board (CWB): James Burruss, Kathleen Kelly and Jason Marshall

Cambridge Water Department (CWD): Sam Corda, David Kaplan, Fred Centanni and Ed Dowling

A. MANAGING DIRECTOR'S REPORT

The Stony Brook Reservoir footbridge was not going to be installed until late October, so the Water Board members agreed to tour the Hobbs Brook Reservoir dam on Winter Street in Waltham Massachusetts. Board members and staff gathered at 4:00pm to travel to the Winter Street dam to tour the facility. We adjourned the meeting at 4:10 pm and drove up to the Winter Street Dam.

When we arrived, Mr. Kaplan described the Winter Street causeway and storm drainage improvements project that the PD Winter Street, LLC/Marcus Partners completed. This project included rerouting drainage to new and existing water quality basins. Also described were the typical maintenance practices for the dam structure and a future project to maintain the stability of the Dam.

We visited the Winter Street Gatehouse and the emergency spillway and reviewed the operational capabilities of each. We returned to 250 Fresh Pond Parkway and reopened the meeting at 5:44pm.

B. MINUTES OF SEPTEMBER 10, 2019 MEETING

Mr. Burruss moved, and Ms. Kelly seconded the motion to approve the September 10, 2019 minutes as written. The vote was unanimous in favor of the motion.

C. OPERATIONS

Transmission and Distribution:

No Comments

Watershed:

It was commented that Hobbs Brook Reservoir was at the same capacity as it was last year at this time.

Business:

No Comments

Water Operations:

No Comments

Engineering:

No Comments

D. ACTION ITEMS

The permit from the Friends of Cambridge Athletics (FOCA) was discussed.

Ms. Kelly moved, and Mr. Burruss seconded the motion to approve the FOCA 5k run. The vote was unanimous in favor of the motion.

E. MISCELLANEOUS CORRESPONDENCE AND ITEMS OF INTEREST

It was noted that the process for formal review and comment for projects in our watershed are also reviewed by the Law Department to assist in the formal recommendations made by the City.

Ms. Kelly asked about the criteria used to certify Fresh Pond Reservation as a Monarch Waystation. Mr. Kaplan will look into it and provide an answer.

F. NEW BUSINESS

None

G. NEXT MEETING DATES/TOPICS

- November 12, 2019: Approved/Fresh Pond Reservation Rules and Regulations
- December 10, 2019: Approved/Election of the President
- January 14, 2020: TBA/TBD
- February 11, 2020: TBA/TBD

Ms. Kelly moved, and Mr. Burruss seconded the motion to adjourn the meeting at 5:53 p.m. The vote was unanimous in favor of the motion.