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**Public Meeting – Monday, June 23, 2014 at 7:00PM**  
**344 Broadway, 4th Floor Conference Room**  
**MEETING MINUTES**

The following meeting minutes were taken by Jennifer Letourneau and are respectfully submitted.

Present Commission Members: Adam Hornstine (Chair), Dorothy Altman, Blair Haney, Ted Pickering, Albe Simenas, and Jennifer Letourneau (Director)

Absent Commission Members: Kaki Martin and Purvi Patel (Vice-Chair)

Attendees: Roger Frymire, Cambridge Resident; Scott Skuncik, CLE Engineering; Lorene Melvin, FAR; Alan Slotnich, General Contractor; Ellen Mass, FAR; Ingeborg Hegemann, BSC Group; Linda Smith, MassDOT; and Szczepan Voher, MassDOT

Adam Hornstine opened the hearing.

**7:00 - Administrative Topics**

Meeting Minutes May 12, 2014 – Approved Unanimously

**7:07 - Informational Presentation**

Friends of Alewife Reservation – Ellen Mass

Ellen Mass and Lorene Melvin spoke briefly about the potential work FAR would like to work on getting permission to do with the Alewife Reservation.

**7:20 - Request for Determination of Applicability**

MIT – Pierce Boathouse

Float Replacement

The proponent explained the need to replace the aging floats with new aluminum floats. The size and locations will be the same. The work will take up to one day. The work will not disturb the resource

The Commission asked for public comment. Roger Frymire stated his concern with the Boat Club tying onto the seawall and making the area in accessible to small boats. The Commission asked for this concern to be included in a letter to MIT. The Commission unanimously closed public comment.

The Commission issued a negative determination for the proposed work.

**7:27 - Request for Determination of Applicability**

Harvard University – Weld Boathouse

Window Repairs

Adam Hornstine recused himself from the hearing. Albe Simenas chaired this hearing.

The proponents explained the need to repair the windows and the contractor explained the methodology.

No public comment was given. Public comment was closed.

The Commission voted unanimously to issue a negative determination with construction mitigation special conditions for staging and restoring the area if disturbed.

**7:30 - Request for Determination of Applicability**

MassDOT – Memorial Drive Viaduct

Expansion Joint Repairs

Adam Hornstine returned to chair the meeting.

The proponents explained the need to repair the expansion joints and the construction mitigation measures outlined in the submittal.

The Commission asked for clarification of the netting detail as well as the when the work would be done.

Public comment was given by Roger Frymire. Roger explained the issue with poor drainage, salt issues and missing drain lines. MassDOT expressed an interest to review Roger's observations and address the issues. Public comment was closed.

The Commission issued a negative determination and accepted the proposed construction mitigation plans.

**7:40 - Other Business**

Albe Simenas updated the Commission on the CPA public process.

Roger Frymire updated the Commission on his water chestnut removal project.

Meeting Adjourned at 8:00pm