

CAMBRIDGE WATER BOARD

**MEETING MINUTES**

September 10, 2014

This meeting was called to order at 5:02 p.m. at 250 Fresh Pond Parkway, in Cambridge, Massachusetts. Those in attendance were:

**Cambridge Water Board (CWB):** James Tanner, Phil Weinberg and Ann Roosevelt

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

**A. MINUTES OF JUNE 18, 2014 MEETING**

Mr. Weinberg moved and Mr. Tanner seconded the motion to approve the June 18, 2014 minutes as written. The vote was unanimous in favor of the motion.

**B. MANAGING DIRECTOR'S REPORT**

Mr. David Kaplan was introduced as the "new" Watershed Manager. He was officially promoted on September 2, 2014. Dave has been with the Water Department for over 6 years and has a background in watershed protection.

Before the director's report, it was asked if the Hazardous Material Presentation from the May 2014 Water Board Meeting could be resent to Board Members.

*Kingsley Park Tour:* At 5:15 we took a "tour" of the Kingsley Park Project. The project is moving along well. We walked the new perimeter path which is paved with "porous pavement" and re-graded to meet ADA Requirements. We visited the gathering area, the existing and "new" lookouts, and walked the upper loop path which has been "paved" with flexi-pave – an extremely porous material which allows for rain water infiltration. During the walk the extensive plantings were viewed and we returned back at about 6:00pm.

*Water Board Meeting Date:* There was discussion as to whether the board would like to continue to hold meetings on Wednesdays or change back to Tuesdays. The board agreed to keep the meetings on the second Wednesday of the month.

*Water Board Meeting Topics:* Potential future Water Board topics suggested are laboratory tour, railroad right-of-way transition to bike path, municipal stormwater assessment results, drainage/community garden improvement project and watershed tours.

*Rules of the Reservation:* As a result of a few minor incidents on the Reservation it was recommended that the staff develop/strengthen the Rules of the Reservation to enhance the ability of police to enforce them. The recommendations would be more specific to "security" of the Reservation to help prevent future various acts of vandalism, contamination and terrorism. It was recommended that draft recommendations be presented at the next Water Board Meeting.

### C. OPERATIONS

**Transmission and Distribution:** No Comments

**Watershed:**

The Sibley Road Stormwater Project in Weston and the bike path in Watertown were briefly discussed and will be further discussed in detail at the next meeting for a potential vote to approve these projects in concept.

The Board comments on the "Cambridge Watershed Site Monitoring Program" semiannual report were that the SWPPP (Storm Water Pollution Prevention Plan) should have been spelled out. Do we do maintenance on these sites and what is the 175 Wyman Street site about?

**Water Operations:** No Comments

**Business:** No Comments

**Engineering Division:** No Comments

### D. ACTION ITEMS

None

### E. MISCELLANEOUS CORRESPONDENCE AND ITEMS OF INTEREST

None

### F. NEW BUSINESS

Mr. Tanner moved and Ms. Roosevelt seconded the motion to adjourn the meeting at 6:31 pm. The vote was unanimous in favor of the motion.

### G. NEXT MEETING DATES /TOPICS

- October 15, 2014 – Approved/Watershed Tour
- November 12, 2014 – TBA/Distribution System Update
- December 10, 2014 – TBA/Energy Update/Election of the President

Minutes approved by vote of the Board.

Signed: \_\_\_\_\_  
Ann C. Roosevelt, President

Date: \_\_\_\_\_