WMAC Meeting Minutes for July 22, 2020

Attendees: David Crosby – Chair, David Brookfield, Anne Carney, David Hearne, Lealdon Langley, Robert (Rory) McGregor – Secretary, Chris Pimentel – Vice-Chair

Guests: Eric Hooper, Superintendent- Sharon DPW; Margaret McCarthy, Weston & Sampson; Rebecca Gonsalves, Weston & Sampson.

- 1. WMAC voted to move into executive session to review the draft RFP for procurement of new water meters and data management network to monitor water production and consumption for Sharon's water distribution network. When executive session concluded, Eric requested WMAC members to submit corrections and additions to his attention as soon as possible. RFP release date is scheduled for October 9th.
- 2. Eric's report on Water Department activity for month of June 2020: Pumping

51,247,000 gallons – high - above the 5yr, 10yr and 15yr averages; however if you deduct 10%-15% for increased water consumption due to families staying at home during Covid-19 pandemic, pumping falls into the average category

UAW (Unaccounted For Water)

12.89%, high for month.

8.35% for year to date, consistent with 2016, 2018 and 2019 year to date.

Revenue

\$4.69 million, up approximately \$500k over last year. This is the result of 10%-15% increase in billed water consumption and the water rate increase approved by Select Board.

Nitrate

No new data for July. June data under 5 mg/L study trigger.

Groundwater elevation

Normal for July

Massachusetts Drought Conditions

Southeast Massachusetts Normal

Precipitation - Normal

Stream flow 34%ile - normal

Groundwater elevation 34%ile - normal

Lakes and impoundments below target levels - Level 1 mild drought

Northeast including Boston - level 1 mild

Cape - Level 1 mild

Islands - Normal

Construction

MWRA Connection – Processing contract with Barbato Construction

Bid for construction: \$2.1 million

Engineering services, construction oversight, as-built drawings \$400k

Original cost estimate \$3.1 million so appropriation is sufficient to initiate the project. Completion will take approximately 1 year.

Massapoag Water Tank Replacement Contractor bids will come in this October Start of work will be Spring 2021

Water Main Replacements

No work will take place this year. Work will resume Spring 2021.

- 3. The Water Department will coordinate testing for Pfas related compounds in our drinking water this coming October.
- 4. Next WMAC meeting is August 20 at 7:30pm via ZOOM conference call.

Respectfully submitted,

Rory McGregor, Secretary