MASSACHUSETTS ASSOCIATION OF PUBLIC PURCHASING OFFICIALS (MAPPO)

MEETING MINUTES

September 19, 2007 at the Gardner Ale House in Gardner, MA

Elaine Shola, new MAPPO president, thanked Mary DeLaney for hosting the meeting. Tour of Water Treatment Plant was great. Elaine mentioned the sign-in sheets, MCCPO credit forms, dues to be paid by November, and name tags.

Mary introduced Mayor Jerry St. Hilaire of Gardner. The Mayor welcomed everyone to Gardner and gave a brief history of Gardner furniture factories and introduced the speaker, Robert Hickman, VP of EarthTech. Robert discussed the use of design/build/operate contracts, presented a slide show with issues and experience. Elaine thanked Bob for his presentation and the Mayor for his comments.

The new officers were introduced: Elaine Shola, John Story, Katharine Sacca and David Geanakakis.

Member retiring: Shelly Mason from Lexington was presented a plaque.

Elaine called Sheryl Levenson, past president, to present a plaque and a \$50 Macy's gift certificate.

Committees discussed:

Website – Sheryl Levenson, Dan Doucette Speaker – Beverly Sleeper, Frank Whitty Hospitality – Norma Collins

October 18 fall conference at Spinelli's in Lynnfield. Starting at 8:30 A.M. with 4 speakers, price to be determined for each attendee.

Guest dinner meeting fee increased from \$18 to \$20. Motion by Sheryl Levenson and seconded by John Story. Approved by members.

David Geanakakis provided info on PMAB members being invited to attend our fall conference. Invited MAPPO members to next PMAB meeting November 5. He has one spot available for free. Mentioned that two state presenters (Ellen Phillips and Marcia Deegler of OSD) will be the speakers at the March 2008 PMAB meeting.

Future MAPPO meetings currently scheduled: October 18, Lynnfield November 14, one week early, Salem December 12, one week early, Lexington January 16, location to be determined February 13, one week early, location to be determined March 19, South Boston April 16, Newton May 21, Swampscott June 20, a Friday, Gloucester

EPP environmental expo in Worcester at the DCU Center Tuesday, October 30.

Meeting was adjourned.

Respectfully submitted, David Geanakakis, MAPPO Secretary