# Draft Meeting Summary

**A. Welcome**
Advisory Board Chairman, Lou Taverna, opened the meeting at 11:33 AM and welcomed all attendees to the Needham Town Hall.

**B. Report of the Executive Director**
Executive Director, Joe Favaloro, discussed the status of Debt Service Assistance in the Massachusetts Legislature. He also presented a tentative agenda for the August Advisory Board field trip, which would be a tour of Boston Harbor departing from Deer Island.

**C. Presentation: FY19 in Review**
MWRA Executive Director, Fred Laskey, gave a presentation highlighting the accomplishments and challenges of the MWRA during FY19. Please see attached presentation.
D. Committee Reports
   Executive Committee – Louis M. Taverna
   • Massport Update
     Executive Director, Joe Favaloro, discussed developments related to the easement costs presented by Massport in the installation of the replacement cross-harbor electric cable.

   Executive Committee – Louis M. Taverna
   • Advisory Board and MWRA Budget Scorecard
     Finance and Policy Director, Travis Ahern, gave a recap of the FY20 budgeting process since the release of the Advisory Board’s FY20 Comments and Recommendations on the MWRA’s proposed CEB and CIP. After the Advisory Board’s recommendation of decreasing the rate requirement to 3.15%, the Board of Directors recommended further reductions down to 3.07%. Mr. Ahern explained that MWRA staff had developed a budget that matched the 3.07% rate requirement but that the number was reached with some adjustments different than the adjustments proposed by the Advisory Board. Mr. Ahern highlighted the differences using a budget scorecard which had Advisory Board feedback on the MWRA staff’s updated budget. Copies of the approved FY20 community assessments were made available to attendees.

E. Adjournment
   A motion was made to adjourn the meeting at 12:40 PM. It was seconded and passed by unanimous vote.

   Respectfully submitted,

   Michael Rademacher, Secretary

These minutes reflect the discussion of the meeting. The Advisory Board maintains audio recordings of Advisory Board meetings that are available upon request.