

TROY WATER AND SEWER COMMISSIONERS MEETING

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PRESENT: Ben Drugg, Bert Lang Adam Hopkins, Tom Lambert, Courtney Davis, and Tom Lambert

ABSENT: Jeff Denis

Meeting called to Order – Bert Called the meeting to order @ 6:05

GUESTS: Horizon Engineers – Jon Warzocha – Jon met with the Board and discussed what he had done to come up with his findings on a location for RIBS. Jon shared he had come down pulled tax maps, looked at our flows to see what was needed, look for a site that would handle .265mgd, looked on the public domain for the best soil types in the area. With the tax maps pulled Jon did not find parcels big enough to handle what we needed that would have the set back. Jon shared he did a field visit on Ann Lawrence property, Ball Field, McGarry property, and land owned by the DOT. The best parcel he thought was Ann Lawrence except there was a house there with a well so we would not meet the necessary setbacks. Jon shared that none of these sites are homerun sites for rapid infiltration. Bert had asked about the baseball field if he had checked toward the back of the field. Discussion followed. Jon is willing to come out in January and test the ball field, he will reach out to Tom and Rhonda and let them know. Jon shared with the Board that we need to get someone on Board that we need to get someone on board for studies that are required by the Administrative Order – for which there is \$100K in grant funding – by the end of January that would mean that we need to work on the RFQ immediately. The Town need to get approval for the Grant so we can have a vote at Town Meeting. He suggested that we have a meeting with Tracy Woods who would help us out with the process, as we are under an AO and it puts us on top of the list for monies

- 1. Water/Sewer Fine & Charges** – Tom and Rhonda worked on a Water/Sewer Fine and Charge schedule for the Board to review. The schedule was reviewed line by line making the following changes: Courtney made a motion to change the water connection fee for a single family home to \$2,500, for a multi-family \$2,500 for the first unit plus \$1,500 per additional unit, up to an inch. \$1,000 per inch after. The motion was amended to include the commercial and non-domestic at \$2,500 up to an inch and \$1000 per inch after as well. Ben seconded, all in favor. Emergency call out \$150 minimum of 2 hours, \$75.00 per man plus material. Inspection fee \$50 per visit. Sewer connection fees for a single home \$2,500, for a multi-family \$2,500 for the first unit plus \$1,500 per additional unit up to 4 inches. \$1,000 per inch after. Commercial and non-domestic \$2,500 for 4 inch and \$1,000 per inch after. Shut off and Turn on fee will change to \$55 each. Rhonda is waiting to hear if we need to hold a public hearing on making these changes and implementing the new charges. She will put the new schedule together for the next meeting.
- 2. Rhonda Vacation Time** – Rhonda shared with the Board due to the changeover of personnel she has not used all her vacation time and will have approximately 60.5 hours that she can will not be able to roll over unless they approve her to. Ben made a motion to pay Rhonda out for the vacation time this year, Adam seconded, all in favor.
- 3. Sludge** – Tom shared that he has spoken to Anthony Drouin at the state and Anthony will be down to meet with Tom to go over what we can do regarding local disposal when we dredge the lagoons.
- 4. RFQ** – need to get to work on the RFQ and request Underwood Engineering to assist us with drafting it. This needs to include the \$100,000 study the AO is requiring us to do as well as sludge removal, the new chemical introduction plan and external nitrification tank pilot program that was recommended by Underwood Engineering. The RFQ needs to be broad enough to cover an work that might be recommended based on the comprehensive study. This will ensure that we do not have to go through the RFQ process multiple times.
- 5. Adjournment** – Courtney made motion for adjournment at 8:30, Ben seconded, all in favor

Respectfully submitted

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