

TOWN OF GROTON Board of Health 173 Main Street Groton, Massachusetts 01450

MEETING MINUTES April 28, 2014

Board of Health Members Present: Jason Weber, Chairman Robert Fleischer, Member Susan Horowitz, Member

Others Present: Ira Grossman

Meeting Called to Order:

Chairman Weber called the meeting to order at 6:09 pm in the Town Hall.

Lost Lake Sewer

Member Horowitz wanted to keep the Board members updated on the Lost Lake Sewer Committees meeting progress. She stated it is clear all parties are finding it difficult to make a decision. Jack Petropoulos, Selectmen liaison and Jay Prager, Finance Committee liaison for the LLSC feel that the Woodard and Curran study are too conflicted about the 2 studies that were done. Town Manager, Mark Haddad acquired CEI to also do a study and now Mr. Petropoulos and Mr. Prager are rejecting both studies.

Thomas D. Orcutt, Water Superintendent wrote a minority report regarding the Lost Lake Sewer Proposal. The Sewer Committee voted not to respond to the report. Ira Grossman felt it needed to be answered by the Board of Health. Member Horowitz stated that she has made statements in the past that property controls would be needed.

Chairman Weber felt that the Board could pitch land use control as a standalone. Once it gets into place then it could be retested to see if any of the numbers go down. If they do not, then we can proceed to next steps.

Member Horowtiz stated it may only move sewer from our lake to the Nashua River. The BoH needs to provide an answer that the Board cares about Public Health but all arguments need to be addressed also.

Mr. Grossman stated only 2 wells were tested as high he Board doesn't grant all variances and water quality is actually a criteria for Title 5 that the Board takes seriously.

Chairman Weber asked if the Board should release a press release to include important bulleted points. Keep it short and concise, but contain a full critique of Woodard and Currans letter.

Mr. Grossman stated he would draft a breakdown of bullets and rank them in order of importance. The question isn't if it's better but is it cost efficient for water quality protection.

Chairman Weber moved to adjourn the meeting at 6:41P. The vote was unanimous.

Respectfully Submitted

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Approved 1/4/16