



Chair/James Gmeiner
Vice Chair/Thomas Orcutt
Clerk/Thomas Hartnett

Town of Groton Sewer Department

173 Main Street
Groton MA 01450

Date: May 18, 2017

Time: 2:00 P.M.

Location: Town Hall/First Floor

Members Present: Chair/James Gmeiner
Vice Chair/Thomas Orcutt

Absent Member: Clerk/Thomas Hartnett

Others Present: Ann Livezey /Water & Sewer Assistant & Bob Rafferty/EPA

The Meeting was called to order by James Gmeiner at 2:02 PM

Bob Rafferty informed the BOSC that he has worked through the spreadsheets and Paul Brinkman/DPW has created an itemized list. He has come up with a number of 19% of collection costs for our share of the system. Mr. Rafferty also said they have accounted for the pump station separate and that 19% is for just the pipeline. Mr. Rafferty stated when he accounts for the pipeline he comes to 15% shared cost. Mr. Orcutt asked Mr. Rafferty what the collection system overall cost and Mr. Rafferty replied \$230K. Mr. Rafferty is going to review the numbers again and make sure everything is allocated correctly. Mr. Rafferty also stated that according to the new calculations it would be a cost savings of about \$30K.

Mr. Rafferty also mentioned that they rolled in 95% of engineering and consulting costs into the treatment plant as well as data processing and communications. Mr. Orcutt asked if Pepperell had Scada at their pump stations. Mr. Gmeiner thought at one time they may have had their own software person. Mr. Orcutt feels we should not be responsible for any expenses associated with the treatment plant that does not benefit us.

Mr. Rafferty also informed the BOSC that the costs associated to the pump stations have been cut out by Pepperell and that was a big piece. Mr. Orcutt asked if we are still at 25% flow and Mr. Rafferty explained moving forward we will be billed flow to flow. Mr. Rafferty also mentioned the overtime was cut out and Pepperell will not charge overtime moving forward.

Mr. Gmeiner feels that progress is being made and they are coming up with numbers. Mr. Rafferty will come up with a list of things that need to be addressed and will tweak the numbers based on

what we are being billed. Mr. Gmeiner asked if an extension of the current agreement would be needed. Mr. Rafferty is hopeful that in the next two meetings the agreement will be done. In the meantime, Mr. Rafferty will put a list of questions together that need to be addressed at the next meeting.

Other Business, Bills, Minutes etc. :

Next Meeting – The next meeting of the BOSC will be held on the May 31, 2017 @ 2:00 PM.

BILLS SIGNED

MINUTES:

ADJOURN – Meeting was adjourned at 2:28 PM.

Respectfully submitted,
Ann Livezey, Water & Sewer Assistant

APPROVED:
