



Chair/James Gmeiner
Vice Chair/Thomas Orcutt

Town of Groton Sewer Department

173 Main Street
Groton MA 01450

Date: January 18, 2018

Time: 9:00 A.M.

Location: Town Hall/First Floor

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

Others Present: Ann Livezey /Water & Sewer Assistant, Lauren Croy/Business Manager, & Bob Rafferty/EPA

The Meeting was called to order by James Gmeiner at 9:00 A.M.

Pepperell IMA

Mr. Rafferty was present to discuss the current IMA that was drafted by Pepperell. Mr. Gmeiner asked Mr. Rafferty if he thinks if Groton will continue to run at 25% of the WWTF due to the growth. Mr. Rafferty stated that Groton is running slightly under 25% at this time. Mr. Rafferty reminded the BOSCO the IMA Pepperell is proposing includes adjusting the billing based on flow over flow. Mr. Rafferty also mentioned he thought that progress was being made and that we were only 5% off, Groton was at 78% and 73% and then they pulled the proposal at the last meeting.

Mr. Rafferty stated that he requested Pepperell to provide us with records to justify the way the way Groton was being billed and they have not provided the information at this time. Mr. Rafferty asked if we have copies of the billing before it was changed to the new billing system. Mr. Gmeiner asked the business manager to look into the files and see how the billing was being generated originally Mr. Rafferty told the BOSCO that he has reviewed several other IMA's in Massachusetts and there are no regulations on how the billing is being done. Mr. Gmeiner feels we have always had a good working relationship with Pepperell and suddenly they submit us with an IMA which includes flow over flow billing and they basically are saying take it or leave it. Mr. Gmeiner expressed that he just wants a reasonable contract and that does not include changing the billing to flow over flow.

Mr. Gmeiner suggested that they attend the meeting on January 25th, 2018 In Pepperell to meet with the Pepperell Board of Public Works and discuss the concerns we have and hopefully reach an agreement. Mr. Gmeiner asked Mr. Rafferty and Mr. Orcutt to be present along with Mrs. Livezey.

Other Business, Bills, Minutes etc.:

Next Meeting – The next meeting of the BOSC will be held on January 24th, 2018 @ 2:00 PM.

BILLS SIGNED

No bills signed at this time

MINUTES: No minutes approved at this time

ADJOURN – Mr. Orcutt made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 9:40AM. Mr. Gmeiner seconded, and the motion carried unanimously.

Respectfully submitted,
Ann Livezey, Water & Sewer Assistant

APPROVED:
