



Chair/James Gmeiner
Vice Chair/Thomas Orcutt
Clerk/Michael Bouchard

Town of Groton Sewer Department

173 Main Street
Groton MA 01450

Date: December 22nd, 2021

Time: 2:00 PM

Members Virtually Present: Chair/James Gmeiner
Vice Chair/Thomas Orcutt
Clerk/Michael Bouchard

Others Virtually Present: Ann Livezey/Water & Sewer Assistant and Lauren Crory/Business Manager

The Meeting was called to order by James Gmeiner at 2:00 P.M.

Thai on the Fly 760 Boston Road

Mr. Gmeiner said there was an inquiry for this restaurant and would need to need to know how many seats. Mr. Gmeiner also said from the last meeting he thought the available capacity left was 12K and after reviewing it is more like 6k.

RW Sullivan Engineering – Florence Roche Grease Trap

Mr. Gmeiner asked that we send an email for an update

797 Boston Road – Sewer Connection

No update at this time

468 Main Street – Sewer Connection

Mr. Gmeiner asked that a draft article be put together to get the the Select Board and would like to schedule the public hearing for January 19th, 2022.

436 Main Street

Mr. Gmeiner said the overall quote was \$6,432 and included the alarm panel. Mr. Gmeiner said the quote seems to include all the pieces to make it work and the initial plan was to supply just the pump.

Mr. Orcutt said we are purchasing a pump for a single family dwelling unit and anything more would require a capacity charge. Mr. Orcutt said he will be getting what he paid for thirty years ago and if he decides he wants anything other than a single family dwelling he would owe us. Mr. Gmeiner agreed and said we are honoring the original agreement. Mr. Orcutt said the property is listed as commercial and he

has a residential / business on the parcel. Mr. Orcutt suggested sending a letter stating that if anything other than a single family dwelling he will owe us and Mr. Bouchard said we are honoring the original agreement and we should state the date in the letter. Mr. Bouchard asked if he wanted to put a 2-family would we just give him the \$6K and he can do what he wants. Mr. Gmeiner said we could give him the \$6,432 and if he wanted something bigger he would have to pay the difference. Mr. Orcutt said if he wants something bigger he needs to purchase and we will pay our portion. Mr Orcutt also said it would not apply to a 3rd party if he was to sell the property beforehand. Mr. Gmeiner said to order the pump and send a letter along with a copy of the quote per our agreement.

Mr. Orcutt made a motion to purchase the pump and send the homeowner a letter stating the conditions, Mr. Bouchard seconded and the motion passed unanimously. Roll Call: Gmeiner-Aye, Orcutt-Aye and Bouchard-Aye.

45 West Street – Sewer Connection

No update at this time

Review I&I Study

Mr. Orcutt said Mr. Rafferty sent a letter to DEP regarding I&I

Pepperell IMA

Mr. Gmeiner asked the BOSC their thoughts on the approach and Mr. Bouchard said he likes it and Mr. Orcutt said he does not care for the approach. He feels its tied up in the details and Mr. Gmeiner said he is comfortable with the approach, but the details is where it gets tricky. Mr. Orcutt feels the costs need to be contained and expense control and thinks that we should meet twice a year to protect the Groton interest with this new method. Mr. Bouchard likes the approach and asked how it is done now and Mr. Orcutt said its based on time and material. Mr. Gmeiner said there is nothing in the current agreement to contain costs. Mr. Gmeiner agrees on meeting twice a year to examine the new approach, Mr. Bouchard feels its logical and broken out nicely and we will need to work out the details.

Mr. Orcutt made a motion to continue discussions with Pepperell DPW for a new IMA using Flow over Flow based on the recent proposal, Mr. Bouchard seconded and the motion passed unanimously. Roll Call: Gmeiner-Aye, Orcutt-Aye and Bouchard-Aye

Review Nod Road Pump Station and Evaluation

No update at this time

Groton Hill Music – Plan Review/Construction Discussion

Mr. Gmeiner told the BOSC that \$1k was included for consultant fees when they were invoiced and anything over would need to be billed out.

227 Boston Road/Lindemer – Sewer Connection Update

No discussion at this time

Discussion of Proposed Sewer Commission Web Site

No updates at this time

Sewer District Map Approval

Mr. Bouchard told the BOSC the maps are now live. He said the web-site still needs a little work and the IT Department is working on that.

FY22 & FY23 Budget

Mr. Gmeiner asked Ms. Crory to do a review on the income side excluding the payment from Indian Hill.

Other Business: Bills Minutes Etc.

Mr. Orcutt told the BOSC that Ixtapa was now connected to sewer

Next Meeting – Januray 10th, 2022

BILLS SIGNED –

MINUTES: - October 6th, October 13th and October 20th as amended

ADJOURN – *Mr. Bouchard made a motion to adjourn at 3:00 PM Mr. Gmeiner seconded the motion. Roll Call Gmeiner –Aye & Bouchard-Aye*

Respectfully submitted,

Ann Livezey
Water & Sewer Assistant