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

Town of Groton Sewer Department

173 Main Street
Groton MA 01450

Date: April 21st, 2022
Time: 2:15PM

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

Others Virtually Present: Ann Livezey, Lauren Crory, Judy Anderson and Amy Collette

The Meeting was called to order by James Gmeiner at 2:15 P.M.

205 Main Street – Abatement

Ms. Collette said a pipe burst under the barn and she was notified and there was no real evidence of water leaking. Mr. Bouchard asked if there was a slab under the barn and Ms. Collette said is dirt crawl space. Mr. Orcutt asked where the water went and she said it went into the dirt. Mr. Gmeiner asked if there is a drain in the basement and she said no. Mr. Bouchard asked if she owned the barn and Ms. Collette replied “yes”

Mr. Orcutt asked how many units have been billed in the past and Ms. Crory said minimum charges. Ms. Collette said the barn is not occupied. Ms. Crory said the leak started in January 16th and ended February 6th. She said there are two meters one is 205 Main and one says 205 Main upstairs. Ms. Collette said there are 3 water lines, one went to the main house which is 207 and 205 has two and one of those goes to the barn.

Mr. Orcutt made a motion to abate 360 water units for 205 Main Street for sewer charges to the Carriage House Mr. Bouchard seconded and the motion passed unanimously. Roll Call: Gmeiner-Aye, Mr. Orcutt-Aye and Bouchard – Aye.

Mr. Orcutt told Ms. Collette we abated the sewer charges minus the \$75 fee. Mr. Orcutt asked if she was added to the Water Agenda and that the commissioners will most likely not abate all the water charges, but possibly will adjust to the lowest tier. Ms. Collette asked if she would have to attend and Mr. Orcutt said they could handle it and let her know the outcome.

Potential Mass Works Grant

Mr. Orcutt said he did start the process and Ms. Dunbar is filing for an ARPA project for Broadmeadow and he has all the information he needs to submit. He has the template for (3) projects (2) sewer and (1) water.

436 Main Street – Pump

No Update

Review I&I Study

This is on hold.

Pepperell IMA

Mr. Gmeiner asked if anyone had time to review the new spreadsheets and Mr. Bouchard said he did review, but has a hard time following some of the numbers and they don't seem to tie out. He suggested we meet as a team to walk through. Mr. Gmeiner thought this was necessary and asked that hard copies be printed out and would like to meet next week in person at Town Hall and he will reach out to Mr. Rafferty to have him attend.

Mr. Gmeiner asked that we have an updated spreadsheet showing the salaries, overhead and retirement contributions.

Review Nod Road Pump Station and Flow Evaluation

This is on hold

Groton Hill Music – Plan Review/Construction Discussion

No Update

227 Boston Road/Lindemer – Sewer Connection Update

Waiting on an update

Discussion of Proposed Sewer Commission Web Site

The Web Site is complete and any changes or updates will be done as needed.

FY22 & FY23 Budget

No updates at this time

Other Business: Bills, Minutes, etc.

Mr. Orcutt will attend Town Meeting on behalf of the BOSC

Next Meeting – April 27th, 2022

BILLS SIGNED – No bills signed

MINUTES: - No minutes approved

ADJOURN – *Mr. Orcutt made a motion to adjourn at 3:05PM Mr. Bouchard seconded the motion. Roll Call Gmeiner –Aye, Orcutt- Aye and Bouchard-Aye*

Respectfully submitted,

Ann Livezey
Water & Sewer Assistant