



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

**Town of Groton Sewer Department**

173 Main Street  
Groton MA 01450

**Date:** June 2, 2022  
**Time:** 2:00 PM

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

**Others Virtually Present:** Ann Livezey, Lauren Crory, Judy Anderson, Brad Paul and Patel Hetalb

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

**768 Boston Road - Change of Use**

Mr. Patel told the BOSC that he will be converting the old appliance store space into a Liquor Store and it is 2250 sq. ft and will have 3 full time employees. Mr. Gmeiner asked if the appliance store was retail space and Mr. Patel replied "yes". The BOSC determined that since the space was previously based on retail space there would be no change of use fee.

**18 Nod Road - Subdivide Property**

Mr. Paul said he has been a resident in Groton for 30 years and he owns a 1795 historical home that sits on 5 acres. He is considering subdividing into two lots (front/back). He told the BOSC he has met with the planning board and he has sufficient frontage on Nod Rod and enough square footage to subdivide.

Mr. Orcutt said if there was a duplex on the lot, he may need a low-pressure pump to get sewer to the house because it would be 400-600 feet back off the street. Mr. Bouchard asked if the existing house is connected to the town sewer and Mr. Paul replied "yes". Mr. Gmeiner said if it was a total of six bedrooms, we would have enough capacity for that, he did tell Mr. Paul if his plan was to do this in 3-5 years, we may not have the capacity for this. Mr. Gmeiner suggested that Mr. Paul hire an engineer to make the necessary recommendations for the connection.

Ms. Anderson asked the BOSC if Mr. Paul was to do a duplex would that trigger two connection fees. Mr. Orcutt replied "yes".

**220 Main Street - Capacity**

Mr. Orcutt said that this is the Parish House and they are considering subdividing and making into condos or apartments. Mr. Orcutt said this would be considered a change of use and would be (3) ERU's. Mr.

Bouchard suggested we notify them of the fees involved and asked if we base this on what they have now. Mr. Gmeiner said according to our new regulations this would be considered a change of use.

### **Expansion Limits**

Mr. Gmeiner said he is waiting on Mr. Rafferty and he said he also wants to have a conversation regarding the interbasin and what triggers it. Mr. Gmeiner was concerned if we want more capacity from Pepperell would we have to deal with the interbasin transfer. The other question would be if we stay under the allotted 250K/gpd and want to upgrade the pumps would that trigger the interbasin.

### **Potential Mass Works Grant**

This was removed from the agenda

### **436 Main Street – Pump**

Mr. Orcutt said 436 Main Street is complete and is now connected to the town sewer. Mr. Gmeiner asked that we get a copy of the paperwork stating that the septic system has been decommissioned.

### **Review I&I Study**

Mr. Gmeiner said the work has been done and we still need some water plugs and the bricks on shelving need repair

### **Pepperell IMA**

Mr. Gmeiner said he sent out the comments

### **Review Nod Road Pump Station and Flow Evaluations**

No new information

### **Groton Hill Music – Plan-Review/Construction Discussion**

No new information

### **227 Boston Road/Lindemer – Sewer Connection Update**

Mr. Orcutt said a permit has come through for a retaining wall and it shows a 5-bedroom home.

### **FY22 & FY23 Budget**

Ms. Crory told the BOSCO that we need a transfer of \$1,500.00 from General Expenses to Salaries.

**Mr. Orcutt made a motion to transfer \$1,500.00 from General Expenses to Salaries and Mr. Bouchard seconded and the motion passed unanimously. Roll Call: Gmeiner-Aye, Orcutt-Aye and Bouchard-Aye**

**Other Business: Bills, Minutes, etc.**

**Next Meeting** – June 15th 2022

**BILLS SIGNED** – No bills signed

**MINUTES:** - No minutes were approved

**ADJOURN** – *Mr. Orcutt made a motion to adjourn at 3:10P.M. Mr. Bouchard seconded the motion. Roll Call Gmeiner –Aye, Orcutt- Aye and Bouchard-Aye*

Respectfully submitted,

Ann Livezey  
Water & Sewer Assistant