



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

Town of Groton Sewer Department

173 Main Street
Groton MA 01450

Date: April 5th, 2023
Time: 2:00 PM

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

Others Virtually Present: Ann Livezey/Assistant and Judy Anderson/Resident

The Meeting was called to order by James Gmeiner at 2:00 PM

Discussion of Impact of 500 Main Street Proposed Development on Potential Nod Road Upgrade

Discussion completed at previous meeting

Discussion of Adopting System Expansion Policy

Mr. Bouchard submitted a second draft of the Expansion Policy showing Mr. Gmeiners edits. Mr. Orcutt said he reviewed them and he is ok with edits. Mr. Orcutt said we need to keep in mind for the future if we add properties that were not approved by the Water Resource Commission, we may have to go back to them. Mr. Bouchard asked if this would be for both the Center & Four Corners Districts and Mr. Orcutt said for the Center District it is a pump/capacity issue with Pepperell and Four Corners is a regulatory issue. Mr. Gmeiner said in the future if we need more than 275GPD from Pepperell that would interfere with the interbasin transfer.

Mr. Bouchard will send out a final copy and the BOSC will vote on it at the next meeting.

Pepperell IMA

Still waiting on revised IMA.

201 Boston Road/Lindemer New House

No Updates

Review I&I Study

Mr. Gmeiner said the plan is to have Mr. Haddad bump the transfer up to \$100K and this will allow us to get the new sewer camera.

Review Nod Road Pump Station and Flow Evaluation

Mr. Gmeiner will check with Mr. Haddad and see if Mr. Rafferty has started this.

220 Main Street (Parish House) – Capacity

No updates

500 Main Street – Groton Farms

Mr. Orcutt will speak with Mr. Amaral about attending the next BOSC meeting.

Expansion Limits

No discussion

Increase District Center Transfer

This was done at the previous meeting

FY22 & FY23 Budget

Center Sewer District:

Ms. Crory sent over a report and looks like there is no change since the last update for the Center transfer.

Four Corners:

Mr. Gmeiner said we will need the transfer to cover the expense for the inflated bills at Shaws and the connection fee's we owe to Ayer.

Commission Reorganization

No discussion

Other Business: Bills, Minutes, etc.

The BOSC will hold a Rate Hearing on May 3rd, 2023 for both The Center Sewer District and the Four Corners Sewer District.

Mr. Gmeiner told the BOSC that Ayer will be increasing their rates, so we need to review this.

Mr. Gmeiner said we are still playing around to the “SSO” notifications. Mr. Gmeiner said they did not like the way it was set up and Mr. Gmeiner said they want people to be able to sign up for a general notification. Mr. Orcutt asked if reverse 911 was an option and Mr. Gmeiner said “no”. Mr. Bouchard said he had a conversation with the Groton PD and they can notify by a Smart 911. Mr. Orcutt said he will speak with Mr. Rafferty about this.

Next Meeting – April 19th, 2023

BILLS SIGNED – No bills signed

MINUTES:

Mr. Bouchard made a motion to approve the minutes of March 13th, 2023 as written, Mr. Orcutt seconded and the motion passed unanimously. Roll Call: Gmeiner – Aye, Orcutt- Aye and Bouchard - Aye

ADJOURN – *Mr. Orcutt made a motion to adjourn at 2:40 P.M. Mr. Bouchard seconded the motion. Roll Call Gmeiner –Aye Bouchard - Aye*

Respectfully submitted,

Ann Livezey
Water & Sewer Assistant