



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

Town of Groton Sewer Department
173 Main Street
Groton MA 01450

Date: November 1, 2023

Time: 2:00 PM

Members Virtually Present: Chair/James Gmeiner
Clerk/Thomas Orcutt

Others Present: Ann Livezey/Assistant and Lauren Crory/Business Manager and Judy Anderson/Resident

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

1 Forge Village

There was a vote taken for no increase in capacity.

68 Boston Road – Country Butcher

Mr. Gmeiner said they are putting a temporary trailer for storage on site and it will not have any water/sewer use.

Review Sewer Commission Applicants

No Update

797 Boston Road – Sewer Capacity

Mr. Gmeiner said he reviewed the allocation and we currently are using 26,128/gpd out of 40,500/gpd we are allotted.

Mr. Gmeiner was trying to figure what part of NE Power is on the district map and Mr. Orcutt said Lot 1 on Sandy Pond Road and it is zoned for business. Mr. Gmeiner said in the 26,128 we are currently using includes the allocation for NE Power company parcel. Mr. Orcutt said Mr. Rafferty did a potential allocation for Shaw's and that parcel. Mr. Gmeiner said Mr. Rafferty put 12K gpd aside for that. Mr. Orcutt said if we can get 797 Boston Road in the District he is fine with it as long as we are not taking anything away from Shaw's. He feels that this is a parcel that has paid for water connections already and has an allocation set aside for future build out. Mr. Orcutt said if we vote this new parcel in the district, we need to make clear of what the maximum allocation would be.

Mr. Gmeiner said 1,377 gpd is still allocated for Shaw's and we will need to look at this further. Mr. Orcutt said that parcel as well as the 4th or 5th corner are in the Water Resource District and would

require the nitrogen loading issue if they are doing septic. Mr. Gmeiner said we would be over if we do the full allocation they are requesting. Mr. Gmeiner said we are roughly at 39,500 roughly for everything that has been built and what is set aside for the unbuilt. So that would put us 1,000 gpd under our limit and this project would require taking some capacity away from NE Power parcel.

Mr. Gmeiner said we will have to figure out what is left on the Shaw's site and then we will have to decide if we keep stuff earmarked for NE Power. Mr. Orcutt has no problem allocating to the fourth corner, as long as we keep Shaw's whole.

Discuss Regulations regarding Change of Use

No update

201 Boston Road

No Update

Pepperell IMA

Mr. Gmeiner said Mr. Brinkman and Mr. Rafferty met and have made some progress and they were able to reduce the difficulty number.

500 Main Street – Groton Farms

No Updates

Review I&I

No Updates

Review Nod Road Pump Station and Flow evaluation

Mr. Gmeiner said that Mr. Rafferty and Mr. Brinkman are still working on this

FY23 & FY24 Budget

Mr. Gmeiner asked Ms. Crory to prepare the drafts for discussion. Mr. Orcutt said we need to get that true up number from Pepperell. Mr. Gmeiner said for now use \$50K or \$55K for FY25 monthly number. Ms. Crory said if we do need to put in money in the fall for the true up, we might have to use the true up line for Ms. Dufresne to allow us to process.

Other Business: Bills, Minutes, etc.

Next Meeting – November 15th, 2023

BILLS SIGNED – No bills signed

MINUTES: Mr. Orcutt made a motion to approve the minutes of October 18th, 2023, *Mr. Gmeiner seconded and the motion passed unanimously. Roll Call: Gmeiner-Aye and Orcutt-Aye*

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

Respectfully submitted,

Ann Livezey
Water & Sewer Assistant