



Chair/James Gmeiner
Vice Chair/Eric Berg
Clerk/Thomas Orcutt

Town of Groton Sewer Department
173 Main Street
Groton MA 01450

Date: July 10th, 2024
Time: 2:00 PM

Members Virtually Present: Chair/James Gmeiner
Vice Chair/Eric Berg
Clerk/Thomas Orcutt

Others Present: Judy Anderson, Lauren Croy/Business Manager and Ann Livezey/Assistant

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

Review Nod Road Pump Station and Flow Evaluation

Mr. Gmeiner said we are expected to hear soon on the bidder who was awarded the contract and the work should begin soon.

Pepperell IMA

Mr. Gmeiner said he has reviewed the IMA and he will send off to Mr. Rafferty for final comments.

Review I&I

Mr. Gmeiner told the BOSC that Pepperell has reported finding debris in the Rail Trail area and clean-up will continue this week.

218 Main Street – Addition

No Update

201 & 227 Boston Road

Ms. Livezey said the invoice for the connection fee has been resent.

6 Fairway Drive

Waiting for the work to begin.

FY24 & FY25 Budget

Four Corners: Ms. Crory said the budget is over by \$31K due to the usage exceeding the budget. She said this is mainly due to Shaw's and the inflated bills. She said the expenses were low, but the treatment exceeded the budget due to usage. The estimated free cash number is \$430K and with the remaining six-years of payments due to Ayer in the amount of \$21K that will leave \$300K.

Center Sewer: Ms. Crory said the rate revenue came in over budget and the connection fees fell short. She said we did budget \$52K for the project on Main Street which we did not collect yet, so the total we brought in was \$36K. The income budget was over \$16K due to the betterments and the total expense budget was under \$75K due to not doing a true up with Pepperell this fiscal year. So, with that the estimated free cash number is \$749K and with \$250K for the Nod Road project and the \$102K increase in treatment the estimated free cash number would be \$396K

Mr. Gmeiner said we need to discuss the betterments and the financial impact. He said these projects were expected to generate income to meet the debt payments and they are running short. The reason being is people prepaid or paid off early so the expected interest was not collected. Mr. Gemeiner suggested we review and try to identify the discrepancies and maybe consider trying to pay off the bonds early, but those may be tied into other town projects.

Other Business: Bills, Minutes, etc.

Mr. Gmeiner said a building permit came in for Red Pepper Lane and that water was intended for the lot, but lacked access to sewer. Mr. Gmeiner said he has reviewed the IMA and he has sent a copy to Mr. Brinkman of Pepperell DPW because he was in contact with the owner.

Next Meeting – August 7th, 2024

BILLS SIGNED – No bills signed

MINUTES: Mr. Orcutt made a motion to accept the minutes of June 16th, 2024 and Mr. Gmeiner seconded and the motion passed unanimously. Gmeiner-Aye and Orcutt-Aye

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

Respectfully submitted,

Ann Livezey
Water & Sewer Assistant