



Chair/James Gmeiner
Vice Chair/Eric Berg

Town of Groton Sewer Department

173 Main Street
Groton MA 01450

Date: February 12th, 2025

Time: 2:00 PM

Members Virtually Present: Chair/James Gmeiner
Vice Chair/Eric Berg

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

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

Pepperell IMA Update

Mr. Brinkman discussed the ongoing maintenance and upgrades of the wastewater system, including the replacement of the control panels, battery backup and generator. He said these upgrades are part of a larger plan to maintain the system and the budget would be \$300k/per year. Mr. Brinkman said he should finalize the true up for FY2024 and he will share the information when he gets it.

Mr. Gmeiner told Mr. Brinkman that the BOSC has voted to accept the IMA that Town Counsel edited. Mr. Gmeiner said he would be submitting to the Selectboard on February 24th 2025.

Lawrence Academy – 26 Powderhouse Road

Mr. Gmeiner told the BOSC that Lawrence Academy has paid the connection fee and is moving forward with the project.

Four Corners Sewer District Parcels

Mr. Gmeiner said the original flows were 9k-10k gpd and that has been cut in half. The actual flow is lower than calculated and that could be due to the physical therapy site is no longer in business. Mr. Gmeiner has some uncertainty about removing the parcel from the district and suggested we have a hearing and discuss it then.

Prepare Blurb for Bills “What not to Flush”

Mr. Berg said he will prepare something for the next meeting.

FY25 & FY26 Budget

Ms. Crory said the center sewer budget looks good with rates expected to exceed the budget by \$12K. She did say construction income is over budget due to the Lawrence Academy project. She also reminded the BOSC that we have \$60K set aside for the true up in reserves.

Ms. Crory said the Four Corners is fine with the exception of a shortfall in connection fees. She said she will provide more detailed information at the next meeting.

Other Business: Bills, Minutes, etc.

Ms. Crory told the BOSC we have received an abatement for 71 Wintergreen for a toilet leak. They are usually billed 14-units per qtr. and they were billed for 34-units. A plumber was called and the flapper was replaced, we did install a new meter so moving forward they will be alerted of a leak.

Mr. Berg made a motion to abate \$189.69 for the toilet leak, Mr. Gmeiner seconded and the motion passed unanimously. Roll Call: Gmeiner- Aye and Berg-Aye

Next Meeting – February 26th, 2025

BILLS SIGNED – No bills signed

MINUTES: *Mr. Berg made a motion to accept the minutes of January 8th, 2025 as written Mr. Gmeiner seconded and the motion passed unanimously. Roll Call: Gmeiner–Aye and, Berg - Aye*

ADJOURN – *Mr. Berg made a motion to adjourn at 3:00 PM. Mr. Gmeiner seconded. Roll Call: Gmeiner–Aye and, Berg - Aye*

Respectfully submitted,

Ann Livezey
Water & Sewer Assistant