

Lost Lake Sewer Committee
March 24, 2011

Present: Tom Orcutt, John Giger, Carol Quinn, Angela Garger,

Meeting called to order at 8:10pm

Old Business

- A. Woodward and Curran met with Mark and Tom to discuss our concerns about the overall cost of the project and our concerns about whether residence can afford it.
 - a. Ayer said they can take the flows
 - b. Woodward and Curran is going to talk with DEP about moving effluent to Ayer and what obstacles that would create.
 - i. Inter basin transfer issues
 - c. Shaws and Four Corners may be interested in participating in the project
 - i. Could this business tie into our system? This could help defray some costs.
 - ii. How will including commercial properties effect the USDA/RDA funding
 - iii. Shaw's has a permit for 5000 gallons and they use 3500 gallons. This is limiting the complex to who they can rent the remaining property to, i.e. restaurants use too much water.
 - d. Treatment technologies
 - i. Are there other technologies out there that are less expensive
 - 1. The short answer is no because the effluent has to be treated to drinking water quality
 - ii. Orenco System for sewer system – onsite septic tank. Their website will take you to your local distributors. There is one of these systems in Westford in a condominium community.
 - iii. Alternative treatment technologies should be considered – it may be our only option if Ayer is eliminated as a possibility
- B. We will need to reapply for SRF funding in August since we can't go forward now
- C. The overall cost for the project exceeded what the committee felt was reasonable.
- D. We should do an update at town meeting about where the project is at this point and/or include a handout at town meeting
- E. Community Outreach.
 - a. Can't really do outreach at this point. There are still too many unanswered questions.
- F. We could continue to work on a survey to be mailed out to get resident opinions on the project

New Business

- A. Next meeting dates: April 4, April 11 and April 27

Action Items

- A. Community outreach. On hold until we hear back from Woodard and Curran about Ayer as a possibility

Adjourn: 9:15pm

Committee Member Signatures:

Carey Quinn, 6/22/11
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