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Minutes
February 28, 2023

A meeting of the Board of Sewer Commissioners was held in Room 101. Members in attendance were Elaine Fiore, William Watson, Thomas Taylor, Superintendent Robert Monaghan, and Assistant Superintendent Dave Walsh, Town Planner, Valerie Massard Lauren Jezienicki, One Circle Co. (by phone), Thorndike Development, Lloyd Geisenger Nathan ? (on the call).

Ms. Fiore called the meeting to order at 4:30 PM.

1. 48 Howlands Ave

The discussion revolved around available sewer capacity for the proposed project. Ms. Fiore explained there was limited sewer capacity until funding becomes available for additional leaching fields.

Ms. Jezienicki asked what the process was for applications and could they purchase what limited capacity there may be. Ms. Fiore stated we inform applicants we're not able to provide capacity to support their project. Ms. Fiore suggested Ms. Jezienicki have the project vetted by the other Boards and Committees to determine what could be built on the property. The discussion concluded with Ms. Jezienicki stating they will do some more work on their end and get back to us.

Ms. Fiore asked the Commissioners if we should tell the Board of Selectmen the plant is at capacity with the current 3 tanks. Mr. Watson and Mr. Taylor agreed and Ms. Fiore said she would attend that evenings Selectmen's meeting to announce at Open Forum the plant was at capacity with the 3 tanks.

2. Lloyd Geisenger – Sacred Heart property

After a discussion of the pros and cons of the Wastewater Department managing the privately built Wastewater Treatment Plant for the proposed development it was decided to table the discussion until more information was available. Valerie Massard participated in the conversation as the Town Planner.

3. Update from Superintendent:

Superintendent Monaghan things are going well and the staff is doing a great job keeping things going in spite of all the disruptions. He mentioned the new laborer will start in April and he has a Grade 5 operator's license.

Superintendent Monaghan stated the leaching fields at the Transfer Station are not being used. Only 2 tanks are needed for the current flow.



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4. 30 Cole St

Ms. Fiore stated there was a request for an abatement due to an outside leaking hose. The Water Department acted on this in the Fall and it is reaching us now. The August bill was based on 52,000 gallons of water consumption. She mentioned the average of the past July/August bills was 15,200 gallons.

Upon a MOTION made by Mr. Watson and SECONDED by Mr. Taylor, it was unanimously VOTED to reduce the August bill's water consumption by 36,000 for a cost of \$173.08, including the \$15.00 service charge.

Adjourn. Upon a MOTION made by Mr. Taylor and SECONDED by Mr. Watson, it was unanimously VOTED to adjourn. At 5:06 P.M.

Elaine Fiore
Sewer Commissioner