Sewer and Water Minutes

September 5, 2023

Present: Peter Socha, Don Schneyer, John Loiodice, Tony Campetti, Mike Buffoni and Jennifer Carmichael

Don asked for a motion to approve August 1st minutes and Peter moved to approve them as presented and John seconded, all were in favor.

Park Street pump station update: Work started back up last week after weather issues. The transition manhole which will divert flow to the new pump station is installed. The new gravity line is plumbed to the wet well. Most of the excavating is done. The gas service will be relocated and electrical service on the pole will be installed. All the contracts are in and signed.

Progress on Town meeting Articles: The painting of interior of water plant should start next week. Mike installed all the analyzers with Jeff Aloisi doing the electrical and all calibrators are in and working. Mike contacted Dave Prickett regarding the master plan, he has not heard back from him. Foresight will be working on the water, sewer and drainage which is very old on Elm, Maple, South Streets and Laurel Lane this fall. Stage IV of the I & I study has not started yet but will hopefully start after Columbus Day when the traffic slows and Beachwood is quieter. The sewer needs study through DP Engineering has not started yet. The contact has been awarded and signed.

Stockbridge Bowl Stewardship Committee: There has not been a meeting recently. The turbidity readings from the lake have been pretty clear. SCADA personnel are inhouse and doing all the annual calibrations the DEP requires. Monitoring of lead and copper was done in all the schools in Town.

17 Beachwood has hooked up to the Town sewer, paid November and December bill but the owner had problems with his pump valve and couldn't use the sewer because the pump wasn't working correctly. For the last 6-month billing, the owner would like to only pay for May and June. After a brief discussion the Commissioners all agreed that the owner of 17 Beachwood pay the full six-month bill as the pump not working had nothing to do with the Town sewer that he had connected to in the late fall.

Kevin Lilly representing Camp Mah-Kee-Nac asked to be included in the thought process of the master plan in regards to the sewer. The Camp has a ground water discharge permit (has a 5-year permit and about 3 years are left). They also have a full treatment plant. The Camp is interested in the sewer project in the master plan and would like to be included and willing to show they are good stewards for the lake and the Town.

John motioned to adjourn and Peter seconded, all were in favor.

Respectfully submitted, Jennifer Carmichael