Sewer and Water Minutes

November 2, 2021

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

Don asked for a motioned to accept the minutes from October 5, 2021, Peter motioned to accept the minutes, all were in favor.

Park St. infiltration & possible inspections: Letter was sent and Tony has not seen much difference in the clear water flow in the sewer. He would like to move forward with full street sump pump inspections. He will speak with the Town Administrator as to the correct procedure. Tony felt with the issue now at Park Street inspections would be a start to finding a solution.

Tree Removal on Park St.: At the last meeting it was voted to remove one tree that will need to come down before the new pump station is complete. The Select Board has approved this.

Hydrant flushing: will resume next week. Mike has been at the Rte. 183 bridge with regard to the water main and this is complete. The sewer main should be finished in the next day or two. Paving will take place in a week or two. The sewer pipe has been blowen cleaned; 300 feet to the North and again to the South, there should be no problems in the hook-up of the new main.

Tuckerman's Bridge: Foresight is doing preliminary analysis, going through information on past bridge reports, it may need other work before water main put on bridge. A special article may be needed for Town meeting.

Steering Committee: Mike and Mark did not get samples from the Bowl in October as work schedules were too busy, they will go out in the next week or so for the last round of samples for the year.

Tony met with the field engineer at Park St. to finalize issues. Conservation has been contacted and an RDA will be filed with them. Tony hopes to get out to bid before the end of December. There is drainage issues and catch-basin getting plugged, which may be adding to the infiltration issue. The height of the river backed up into the storm system and results were compromised.

Mike got 2 prices for the high lift pumps which they appropriated \$50,000 at last Town meeting; the one bid was over that amount. The Town Administrator suggested getting 3 bids and Mike is working on this.

DEP inspection of the water system mentioned concern that Stockbridge is one of two towns in the western region that have waste water and water cross trained/licensed operators. The DEP report will show their concern for operator retirements and the training and licensing required to run the systems in the future.

The water tank roof tops including vents and hatches need to be inspected yearly, this is a visual inspection, putting someone on the roof 50 feet up. Mike will get a company to do it. PFOA's were sampled in October and results were 2.5 micro grams and DEP allows 20 micro grams per liter, we were well under that.

New apron has been installed at the access road to the plant. The new sewage grinder is in. Additional testing of waste water under the new NPDES permit will need a budget line of approximately \$7,000.

Don asked for a motion to adjourn and Peter motioned to adjourn the November meeting, all were in favor.

Respectfully submitted by,

Jennifer Carmichael