

**GRAY WATER DISTRICT  
TRUSTEES' MEETING  
April 27th, 2015**

Present: Bruce Sawyer, Joe Murray, Steve Dunn, Ellen Errington, Mike Lessard and Superintendent Jim Foster. Bruce called the meeting to order at 7:00 pm.

**Approve Minutes:**

**Joe made a motion to approve Draft 2 of the March 23<sup>rd</sup>, 2015 minutes. Steve seconded, vote was unanimous after minor changes made at the meeting.**

**Gray Water District Water Storage:**

- a. Weeks Hill Water Tank Renewal: Trustees and Jim reviewed and update email from Al Palmer of Gorrill-Palmer Engineers (GPE). The email included a Pay Requisition from RE Emerson for the construction of the telemetry building. In addition to the original plan, a conduit will be installed from the telemetry building to the base of the Tank for use by the Gray Fire Department (GFD). The antenna mount has been installed and GFD is coordinating the completion of the antenna wiring. GPE has requested a schedule from DN Tanks for completion of their work and is working with Jim regarding location of landscaping.
- b. Libby Hill evaluation for a future tank site:  
**Ellen made a motion to enter executive session, at 7:14 pursuant to M.R.S.A. Section § 405(6)(C) to consider the acquisition of Real Property. Joe seconded, vote was unanimous.**  
**Ellen made a motion to come out of executive session at 7:29. Steve seconded, vote was unanimous.**  
No action was taken.

**Superintendents Report:**

- a. March Bacteria tests were absent for total coliform and E-coli.
- b. Average usage for March: 287 GPM.
- c. We continue to search for a leak in the system. We may need to start listening on individual services or look into a different leak locator, maybe EJP.
- d. Maine Department of Environmental Protection (MEDEP) conducted their periodic testing for Volatile Organic Contaminants in the field across the street. They found only low level contaminants and determined that they will not be doing any more testing. They are removing some of the test wells and would like to turn the remaining wells over to Gray Water District. Trustees decided to take over these wells and test them once a year.
- e. Storm Water and Spill Prevention plans for the Town Garage were given to Joe for review.

**Trustee Reports:**

Joe reported that he is making slow but steady progress on the Personnel Policy. Combining our old policy and the draft from Maine Rural water nets a policy with 26 potential sections. Drafts of four of the larger ones have been given to Jim for review. A follow-up meeting is to be scheduled on those. The intent is to have a draft of the entire policy to present to the Trustees to go through section by section as needed.

Steve reported on the Gray Municipal Landfill 2014 Water Quality monitoring program annual report. Last year we wrote a letter expressing concerns about “surface water” monitoring and unlocked wells. In the letter we asked what “surface water” they are monitoring and where the test results are. We also asked that all wells be kept locked to preserve the integrity of the sampling. This year’s report does not indicate what “surface water” they are talking about and the report indicates that there are still unlocked wells. There are some contaminants trending up but the majority is trending down.

**Additions to the Agenda:**

Joe reported that he noticed the trailer park is preparing for some new trailers. He also noted that many of the park sites are located in the Wellhead protection zone and that their oil tanks don’t meet MEDEP requirements for heating oil storage within the well head. Joe is to draft an informational letter to park management about the sites that are within the Wellhead zones and include the DEP fact sheet information on the special requirements for all new or replacement heating oil tanks within Wellhead protection zones.

**Gray Fire Radio System Memorandum of Understanding (MOU):**

Joe asked the status of the draft MOU. Jim said it still has to go out to the Fire Chief for review.

May meeting was scheduled for May 18<sup>th</sup>.

**Joe made a motion to adjourn at 8:18 pm. Steve seconded, vote was unanimous.**

Respectfully submitted,

Sudiek Lester