

**GRAY WATER DISTRICT
TRUSTEES' MEETING
March 19th, 2012**

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

Approve Minutes:

Steve made a motion to approve Draft 3 of the February 27th Minutes as amended at meeting. Ellen seconded, vote was unanimous.

Al Palmer of Gorrill & Palmer Engineers:

a. GWD Water Storage:

Al reported that Gray Town Manager Deb Cabana has been working with Department of Economic & Community Development (DECD) in Augusta and that it is ok to proceed with funding under the TIF. This will not require a special town meeting; it can be approved by a council vote. The next step will be to provide the Town with a request for funding and course of action. Then we will be put on the Town Council Agenda for a vote. The council will want to know where any additional funding will come from and how long the project will take.

Next steps for Al include geotechnical exploration, survey work for the tank and mains, and title work for the easement. Trustees scheduled a workshop meeting for March 27th to discuss additional funding sources and prepare for the meeting with the Town.

b. Maine Turnpike Authority (MTA) New Garage:

Al reported that he is working for MTA on a new project. They will be demolishing a building on their property off Route 202 and constructing a new 6-8 bay garage. They will be installing a sprinkler system in this building and will need a new sprinkler service. Al and Trustees discussed details of how this new service should be handled. The best time to do work on water mains is when the pavement is open. The project includes installing a new water service and tying the main into it. This project will benefit both Gray Water District and the MTA.

Joe made a motion to support the cost to create a cross connection to the 8" main, up to \$15,000. Ellen seconded, vote was unanimous.

Superintendents Report:

- a. February Bacteria tests were absent for total coliform and E-coli.
- b. Average usage for February: 190 GPM
- c. Received a notice from Maine Drinking Water Program saying a sample that should have been taken in 2011 was not done. This is an asbestos test that is required every 9 years.

Trustee Reports:

Joe Murray – Storm Water Report for Gray Public works:

Joe reviewed the information he had available to him; he has not yet received a report from the Transfer Station. He reported that the test results from the garage didn't seem right. He questioned whether part way through the testing period the depth of the water was measured instead of the area above the water. Joe found no issues with the oil/water separator.

Ellen – Planning Board Meeting:

Ellen reported on the Planning Board Meeting she attended with Bruce Sawyer. The meeting included public comment on the well-head rezoning. An abutter to Pump station3, Bob Coleman, was present at the meeting. Bob asked about what he is allowed to do with the portions of his land that lay outside the well-head zone. His questions were addressed by Doug Webster, Community Development Administrator for Town of Gray.

Pump Station 3, East Gray:

a. A.H. Grover Pay Request 3 and Funds transfer sheet:

Office Manager provided Bruce with copy of Grover's Pay Request and the funds transfer sheet for Wells Fargo. Bruce signed the sheet giving the Office Manager permission to fax it to Wells Fargo to transfer funds to pay the bill.

b. Response to Abutter:

Joe is to draft a letter to an abutter who asked about access to water quality tests regarding the new well.

April meeting is scheduled for April 23rd 2012.

Joe made a motion to adjourn at 8:59 pm. Steve seconded, vote was unanimous.

Respectfully submitted,

Sudiek Lester

