

**GRAY WATER DISTRICT
TRUSTEES' MEETING
March 16th, 2015**

Present: Bruce Sawyer, Joe Murray, Steve Dunn, Ellen Errington, Superintendent Jim Foster and Doug Reynolds of Gorrill-Palmer Engineers. Bruce called the meeting to order at 7:00 pm.

Approve Minutes:

Ellen made a motion to approve Draft 2 of the February 23rd, 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: Doug Reynolds of Gorrill-Palmer Engineers (GPE) gave a report on progress.
- The antenna for the Fire Department is moving forward. DN Tanks will be doing the anchors.
 - Have received two quotes on the telemetry building. GPE are recommending that you retain Bob Emerson based on pricing. GPE recommends that you allow for a budget of \$22,500 which will include electrical and metering improvements. Per the Fire Department the completion date has been moved from 3/31/15 to 4/30/15.
 - A letter will be drafted for the Fire Chief to take to the Town Council when he goes to request additional funds to make the move of the antenna. The letter will state that Gray Water District is allowing the FD to place an antenna on the new tank.

Joe made a motion to retain Bob Emerson to construct the telemetry building for the base price of \$16,179. Steve seconded, vote was unanimous.

Joe also volunteered to draft up an official MOU to formalize the Fire/Rescue radio antenna agreement with the Town.

- b. Libby Hill evaluation for a future tank site: Doug Reynolds of Gorrill-Palmer Engineers gave a report on progress.
- The issue of whether nonresidential construction would be prohibited at the site was discussed at the 3/12/15 Planning Board meeting. Board members agreed that there was nothing in the subdivision process that excluded nonresidential. Language in the Declarations of Covenants is not regulated by the Town and can be changed by the owner.
 - Town of Gray zoning does allow utilities as a permitted use in that area.

Superintendents Report:

- a. February Bacteria tests were absent for total coliform and E-coli.
b. Average usage continues to climb, usage for February: 285 GPM.

- c. We continue to search for a leak in the system. We did have a customer report a leak on private property. It was fixed and reduced usage by about 20 GPM but our usage is still high.
- d. The Gray Municipal Landfill 2014 Water Quality monitoring program annual report has arrived; Steve will take it to review and report back.
- e. The March billing did not go out on time. Due to an error on the part of our bill processor the bills were mailed on 3/13/15 rather than the intended date of 3/2/15.
- f. Met with Utility Service Company and asked them to give us a breakdown of separate services so that we may decide which we want to do this season on the Dry Mills tank. Jim is to get prices from other companies to compare.

Personnel Policy:

Joe reported that he has reviewed both our existing policy and the draft policy that MRWA created for us. He will be going through them again, making notes then meeting with Jim to decide what we want in our new policy/handbook.

April meeting was scheduled for Apr 20th.

Joe made a motion to adjourn at 8:17 pm. Ellen seconded, vote was unanimous.

Respectfully submitted,

Sudiek Lester