

**GRAY WATER DISTRICT
TRUSTEES' MEETING
February 22nd, 2016**

Present: Bruce Sawyer, Steve Dunn, Joe Murray, Ellen Errington, Mike Lessard and Superintendent Jim Foster. Gray residents Jack Merrill, Cole Thompson and Don Hutchings were also present. Bruce called the meeting to order at 7:00 pm.

Request for Water Service – Jack Merrill, George Perley Rd:

Jack Merrill, along with his neighbors Cole Thompson and Don Hutchings, came to discuss Jack's request for water service at his home at 1 George Perley Rd. Mr. Merrill would like to receive water at his residence via an existing water line that was used by Mr. Thompson and Mr. Hutchings before the main was extended to their properties. The line has not been used in many years. Bruce asked about the surrounding land and if there are developable lots beyond Mr. Merrill. Allowing Mr. Merrill to use this line could cause problems in the future if there was a request for water service from someone beyond his property. Trustees and guests reviewed maps and discussed who owns the surrounding properties. The land that abuts Mr. Merrill is owned by the State. Mr. Thompson and Mr. Hutchings said that the State has developed a large trail system on that land so they feel it is very unlikely it would be sold any time soon. However, there are lots beyond the State land. After much discussion it was decided that Gray Water District would be willing to allow Mr. Merrill to use this line if he agrees to pay his portion of a main extension that could be extended by his home at a future time. He would also need to have the appropriate legal documents in order regarding any easements needed. Mr. Merrill is to make a decision by the next meeting in March.

Approve Minutes:

Joe made a motion to approve Draft 1 of the January 25th, 2016 minutes. Steve seconded, vote was unanimous.

Superintendents Report:

- a. January Bacteria tests were absent for E-coli and total coliform.
- b. Average usage for January: 205 GPM.
- c. Jim attended a number of training sessions at the Maine Water Utilities Annual February Meeting. He also spoke to a representative of DN Tanks about the 'checking' on the new tank while visiting the vendor tables. The representative will be in touch with Jim about how it will be addressed.

Trustee Reports:

Personnel Policy: Joe reported that he is working on the policy and that he is meeting with Jim again Wednesday. They are about halfway through the first drafts.

Gray Interchange Project:

Jim reported that he attended an onsite utility meeting today. We are waiting on final approval from Maine Turnpike Authority and will hopefully be signing an agreement with ETTi by the end of the week.

Proposed Amendments to Zoning and Shoreland Zoning Ordinances:

Joe informed the Trustees of some zoning amendments the Town is presently working on. Trustees reviewed the proposed amendments to Chapter 402 that relate to structures within the Shoreland zone. After discussion they decided not to comment on the amendments.

March meeting was scheduled for March 21, 2016.

Joe made a motion to adjourn at 9:12 pm. Ellen seconded, vote was unanimous.

Respectfully submitted,

Sudiek Lester