MINUTES SEWER IMPLEMENTATION COMMITTEE June 26, 2018

OPENING: The regular scheduled meeting of the Sewer Implementation Committee opened at 6:00 p.m. The following members were in attendance:

Jerry Patria, Chairman Present
Randy Brown, Vice Chairman Present
Brian Pranka Present
Freda Brown Present
Art Pinell Present

MINUTES

Mr. Pranka made a motion to accept the minutes of January 9, 2018. Ms. Brown seconded the motion. None opposed, the motion passed unanimously.

Chairman Patria opened the meeting by reiterating a review of the history of the SIC and a current update. The Congamond Road project is proceeding without the installation of a dry sewer line. Ms. Thayer, Lakewood Village, has not proceeded to provide public sewers to the entire complex, but may consider the project in the future. As of this meeting, there has been no Federal, State, or grant funding available. The SIC members were in agreement that because of the past rejection on expansion proposals, there may not be any support in the future from the Town residents or officials.

Mr. Brown informed the SIC that the Sewer Use Regulations are being modified which would make an expansion more desirable. For example, if someone developing a property close to an existing public sewer line, they may be able to connect at their own cost. Currently the Town is only using approximately 170 GPD of their allowable capacity to the Westfield Treatment Plant. Once a property is developed, each homeowner will then have to pay a connection fee which would include the approximate cost of \$2,200.00 for the interceptor line to pay off the Town debt for its construction. Recently there are housing developments for a potential of approximately 100 new homes. Both of the developments are not utilizing the public sewer system which could have reduced the existing users cost and added revenue to the Town. The lack of progress on a public sewer expansion is a deterrent for the SIC members to continue.

The SIC agreed it issue a letter to the Select Board relating their concerns and a proposal for continued meetings, which will be twice a year or when needed.

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Chairman Patria did announce that he did apply for the vacancy of a Conservation Commission member, but would also remain as Chairman of the SIC if appointed.

Mr. Brown made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 7:05 p.m. Mr. Pranka seconded the motion. The vote was unanimous in favor.

Respectfully submitted,

Jean Nilsson, Secretary

cc:

Selectmen Town Clerk

Jerry Patria, Chairman

Brian Pranka

Freda Brown

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Art Pinell