## MINUTES SEWER IMPLEMENTATION COMMITTEE January 15, 2019

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. Brown made a motion to accept the minutes of October 16, 2018. Ms. Brown seconded the motion. None opposed, the motion passed unanimously.

## **ATTENDANCE**

Ms. Mary Thayer & Mr. Doug Thayer, Lakewood Village Apartments Ms. Thayer attended the meeting to discuss plans for a connection to the apartment complex via Point Grove Road. There will be approximately 14 properties along the route of the sewer line that may tie into the public sewer line, plus additional connections on Two States Avenue. A property owner will have a choice of connecting, except in the event of a septic system failure. Ms. Thayer had pricing quotations from 2015 which estimated each stub to the 14 properties at an estimated cost of \$5,500.00 per connection. The total EDU assessment for the three remaining buildings is \$85,565.28 for 64 units in buildings 1 through 4. However, Ms. Thayer is still requesting that building #2 not be connected until such time as needed. Mr. Brown stated that a change in the Sewer Use Regulations revised the connection fee from \$6,660.98 to \$2,648.26 per 1 EDU, which covers the cost of repaying the installation of the interceptor line to Westfield plus anticipated capital costs.

Ms. Thayer did not want to bid the project until such time as a determination from the Sewer Commissioners on an assessment reduction for the installation of the stubs is established. Ms. Thayer would like the Town to pay the cost of all the stubs, then get reimbursed if/when each individual property owner chooses to connect. The Committee determined it would be imperative that the stubs be installed during construction of the mail pipeline as some properties would incur a detrimental cost due to the excessive depth of the pipe that they would need to be connected to. Some could be as far down as 14 feet. This would also minimize disturbance to the road to just the one project. Once the pipe is installed in Point Grove Road and the roadway is repaved, there would be an additional cost to repave the roadway for an individual connection.

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Ms. Thayer would like the project to be completed in 2019. Mr. Brown will discuss the proposal with members of the Select Board, and wait for a more recent update on the estimated costs of the stubs from Ms. Thayer.

Mr. Brown received a call from the owners of 19 Powder Mill Road. The property has been vacant for a period of time, and is now in the process of being sold. However, the septic system is in Title 5 failure. The sellers proposed to connect to the interceptor line that goes through Southview Estates. The members of the SIC agreed that the owners would be required to pay the connection fee of \$2,648.26 per 1 EDU, then pay for their own connection.

Mr. Brown made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 7:15 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	Randy Brown, Vice Chairman  Art Pinell
Freda Brown	
Date	