

## *Sewer and Water Minutes*

*January 3, 2017*

Present: Don Schneyer, Peter Socha, Mike Buffoni, Tom Schuler, Jennifer Carmichael;  
Absent: Tony Campetti. Peter motioned to accept the minutes from December 6<sup>th</sup> as amended, Tom seconded and all were in favor.

Water Tank Progress: The valve vault is in and bolted up. They have put 4.5 feet of earth around the tank the backfill will help insulate; Mike and Mark have 4 feet of water in the tank and work is closed up until spring.

Park Street Pump Station: Tony was not there to give an update. Mike said the price dropped to \$20,000. The old pump station can has over 50 years on it and a new one really needs to be built.

Water Plant heating: So far this year Mike has spent \$10,000 out of the \$40,000 and last year spent \$26,000 out of the \$40,000 but it is not really a good comparison but the electric is down.

Sportsmen's Club Fishing Derby will be held at the Stockbridge Bowl on January 29<sup>th</sup> as long as the water freezes and the ice is thick. 2017 marks the 40<sup>th</sup> year of the fishing derby.

Article for the Lake Dam: Mike Kulig did an inspection of the earthen dam at Averic Road in October 2015. This showed the Town and the Grobman's own the dam together. Mike Kulig amended the report and sent it to DCR with Town Council approval. Mike will contact Mr. Grobman regarding the sale of his property and his ownership of most of the Dam. Tom felt control of the dam should go to the Town. Mr. Grobman bought the property (house and dam) about 30 years ago, ownership should be discussed with the Town. Fifteen years ago an article went to Town meeting to put money aside to take care of the Dam property. The town owns a very small portion of the Dam but has an easement over the property to the Town owned Screen House.

Averic Road Closure: the status has not changed; Mike is looking into the prices of 4 inch steel gates; he will budget for this article. From the Screen House to the causeway the road closure for the Sewer & Water Commission to have control it will need to go for a vote at Town Meeting.

37 Interlaken Road plan for sewer and water: the new tanks will have 8 inch main feeding the Desisto line near the old steel tanks. The current pumping station is in poor condition and will need major upgrades to feed the proposed housing. If any

improvements are done to the station the two fire hydrants need to be removed. The 8 inch sewer line should be able to handle whatever happens there.

Tony's and Mike's concerns: there is a service leak at one of the properties on Quiet Knoll Road, the pressure is low in the dwelling and the owner will get it fixed. Logging plan at the new tank site is to cut the aspen and ash trees. The loggers need to stay 200 feet away from the vernal pools which house endangered species.

Tony's budget was level funded. Mike's budget for water: because of the new heating system the electric is lower and he moved \$750 out of electric to the two houses that get water from Lee. The sand media in the filters needs to be cleaned this cost including the chemicals and installation is \$10,000 and the new gates should run at \$5,000. Quiet Knoll Road needs to be paved, the Town machine is too small but could rent an excavator to dig to put pipe in though they may not be able to dig under the culvert. An outside person could do the culvert; they will probably need one or two men from Highway for the road repair and compaction that will be necessary and they can run down Quiet Knoll Road and Interlaken Road with the water line.

Surplus: Tony's has \$337,000 and Mike's has \$295,000

In the contract with Marian Fathers the Town is suppose to maintain the service road for walking and tank servicing.

Tom motioned to adjourn the meeting and Peter seconded, all were in favor.

Next meeting: February 7, 2017

Respectfully submitted by,

Jennifer Carmichael