GROTON SEWER COMMISSION MINUTES OF JANUARY 6, 2016 MEETING 2:30 PM – TOWN HALL

MINUTES

Commission Chair James Gmeiner called the meeting of the Sewer Commission to order at 2:30 PM Also present were Vice Chair, Thomas Orcutt, Clerk, Thomas Hartnett and Business Manager, April Iannacone. Minutes were taken by Ruth Stevens, Water/Sewer Assistant.

Discussion of Pepperell and Sewer Agreement

Mr. Gmeiner asked the BOSC if there was any news on the Pepperell and Sewer Agreement process. Ms. Stevens told him that she had asked Ms. Dunbar if she had heard back from Town Council yet. Ms. Dunbar told her that she emailed them and they should be sending the signed copy to her this afternoon. Mr. Gmeiner reminded the BOSC that the *20 Year* Agreement between Pepperell and Groton also needs to be reviewed and discussed at the next meeting. He requested that 3 copies, one for each BOSC member, be made and brought to the next meeting and also be brought back to subsequent meetings as discussions continue.

Grinder Pump Service Contract

Mr. Gmeiner asked if there was any headway made on contacting Henry Albro in an effort to create a Grinder Pump Policy and brochure for residents who have grinder pumps. Due to the busy holiday season and other projects, Ms. Iannacone said they haven't had a chance to work on it, but would have something ready for the next meeting.

Sewer Capacity

The BOSC began discussing the amount of capacity that currently exists for the Town. Mr. Orcutt made the Board aware that the Lindemer Property on 227 Boston Road had inquired about the process with regard to Sewer due to the fact that they are looking to possibly expand for creating a business enterprise on the property. Mr. Gmeiner responded saying that the Lindemer's would need to go through the process which could include obtaining a State Highway Permit, and Town Meeting approval and suggested he come to a BOSC Meeting. Ms. Iannacone reminded the board that capacity held for 120 Boston Road, LLC (Pediatrics West) went from 8,000 to 3,000, freeing up some more capacity. Mr. Gmeiner also mentioned that he thought the Groton Inn would be asking to increase their capacity. Mr. Hartnett added that if Indian Hill Music decides not to go with Sewer, more capacity would become available. Although Sewer Capacity tends to be a moving target, with new projects coming up and other projects not needing as much capacity as had been originally thought, Mr. Gmeiner said it would he would like to determine where the BOSC currently stands in terms of Capacity amounts and asked Ms. Iannacone to research that number.

Other Business

Mr. Gmeiner said he would like to discuss the Sewer Commission's updated page for the Annual Town Report at the next meeting.

<u>Next Meeting</u> – The next meeting of the BOSC will be held on **Wednesday January 20, 2016 @ 2:30 PM**.

BILLS SIGNED

One set of Bills were signed at this meeting for FY-16, Expense Warrant (EW-15).

<u>MINUTES of December 16, 2015</u> – Mr. Hartnett made a motion to approve the previous meeting's minutes Mr. Orcutt seconded, and the vote carried unanimously.

ADJOURN – Mr. Hartnett made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 3:10 PM. Mr. Orcutt seconded, and the motion carried unanimously.

Respectfully submitted,

Ruth Stevens, Water & Sewer Assistant