

**Thompson's Point Wastewater System Advisory Committee
Minutes for Meeting on June 19, 2017 @ 4:00 PM
Charlotte Town Office**

In attendance:

Leaseholder Representatives: Tom Maffitt; Miles Waite; Rick Pete;

Selectboard Representative: Fritz Tegatz

System Operator & Assistant Operator: Steve Williams and Jake Williams

System Engineer: Chris Galipeau, Civil Engineering Associates, Inc.

Town Administrator: Dean Bloch

Town Clerk: Mary Mead

Others: Lane Morrison, Selectboard member; Frank Tenney, Selectboard member

Agenda

- Start-up report
- Proposed repairs & upgrades
- Desired balance for the sinking fund
- Lane's Lane update
- Clean-up of vegetation around the mounds

Start Up

Steve said he did pressure testing, which cost \$10,000, and replaced cribbing, which cost \$8,000. These were anticipated and are in the 2017 budget.

Miles raised the question of whether pressure testing should be done at a lower pressure, e.g. 60 p.s.i. rather than 70 p.s.i. Chris and Steve indicated 70 p.s.i. is appropriate.

Steve said he replaced the tank and wiring at Jeff Beaudin's camp on Lane's Lane, which cost \$6,500. Steve also purchased an extra tank for \$2,801. \$10,354 was budgeted for tank replacement (total).

Steve said he replaced the cast iron pipes at the control building with PVC pipes, which cost \$8,910. This was in the budget for \$8,500 (under "upgrade/major rehabilitation"). Mary initially paid it from the operating fund, but will change it to come out of the sinking/capital fund.

Desired balance of the sinking fund

Steve provided quotes for replacing a mound in the event of failure—\$90,270; and for replacing the sand filter—\$52,548. (These quotes will be appended to these minutes and recorded). So the committee feels that \$150,000 is an appropriate target balance for the sinking fund. This will be revisited every five years.

Lane's Lane update

Lane Morrison provided an update of the failed vote at Town Meeting to provide up-front funding for the entire project.

Lane indicated that there may be interest in just installing the force main at this time, and then leaseholders would make connections over the course of the next 10-12 years as their leases renew, or if they sell their camps, or if they so desire.

Steve had had indicated the cost for installing just the force main is approximately \$8,500, for 1,055 feet.

Chris reviewed that the State permit includes Lane's Lane, and the capacity was calculated including anticipated flows from Lane's Lane camps. Chris and Steve said that readings they have done show there is still capacity for Lane's Lane.

There was discussion about options for paying for the installation of the force main. Lane asked whether using the Sinking Fund would be possible, and it would be paid back as lots are connected, at least two of which would be immediately, based on their leases.

Mary said after paying \$10,000 for ejector lines and making a deposit into the sinking fund as budgeted, there will be a balance of about \$80,000.

Rick made a motion to use \$8,500 from the sinking fund to pay for the installation of force main on Lane's Lane. Miles seconded the motion. The vote was unanimous in favor.

The Selectboard will need to approve the installation and select a contractor. Chris will get two additional quotes (in addition to Steve's). Dean will put it on the Selectboard's agenda for a meeting in July.

Clean up of vegetation around the mounds

Dean indicated that when he was reviewing the town's brush-hogging contract with the new brush-hogging contractor, the contractor asked if we want to clean the vegetation (e.g. sumacs, etc.) around the mounds. The committee was in favor, and said this could be paid from the Operating Fund.

The next meeting will be after shut-down. The committee adjourned at 5:20 pm

Respectfully Submitted,
Dean Bloch