Groveland Water & Sewer Commissioners Meeting

February 23, 2017

Attending: Chairman, Jim Sheehan, Rob Baldini

Superintendent: Tom Cusick Jr.

Office Manager: Pat Rogers

Jim Sheehan opened the meeting at 4:30 PM.

Route 97

Tom Cusick stated that he had meeting with the State on the route 97. It would cost an additional \$150,000 to do the work we wanted done, that doesn't include police details which is estimated at another \$10,000.00 The State will allow us to go with their bid. The 1st bid the original bid was for \$177,736 and the second bid was for \$154,500.00. We would have to pay for it the State will not pay for it first. We will only be allowed to use their contract. Bruce Adams, Weston and Sampson thought the numbers were fine. This does not include any police details which could be +/- \$10,000 Tom stated that the State would like a written response from us regarding this situation.

Tom requested meeting with the State and possible get the details through the State.

Jim Sheehan motioned to accept the Main Street/Gardner St project installation at the cost of \$1,337,821.00 by George Felice. Rob Baldini seconded the motion. All were in favor.

Haverhill Waste Bill

The town of Groveland is responsible for 3% of the total flow. Tom has already done the accounting for this account. There might have to be a rate increase this year for sewer.

Extending the Sewer Line into South Groveland

The Board would to have a meeting with the Board of Selectmen to discuss the situation of extending the sewer line into South Groveland. The Sewer Commissioners would like to see if the Town is willing to help with the funding of the extension. Russell Douphinette land; Tom will request Weston and Sampson to put together a scope of work for their driveway. Rob will talk to McConnon (5 Pandora Drive) for an easement for sewer on his property and then he will get back to Tom.

Tom Cusick will talk to Denise Dembkoski, Finance Director regarding the annual fee that the Town would be expecting for the department. And also what the town is expecting for the building rental. Denise wants to know what this department will be charging for hydrant rentals fees. Tom stated that Ryan

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Allgove, Environmental Engineering stated the range could be from \$250,000 to \$275,000 Tom will call area towns to see what they are doing.

Articles for Town Meeting from Retained Earnings

The department's free cash numbers are:

Water: \$390,968.00

Sewer: \$291,798.00

Water Articles:

Jim Sheehan motioned to

To see if the Town will vote to transfer the sum of Fifty Thousand Dollars (\$50,000.00) from Fiscal Year 2016 Water Enterprise Department Retained Earnings to put toward the completion of Governor's Road water main project, or take any other action relative thereto.

Seconded by Rob Baldini

All were in favor.

Jim Sheehan motioned to:

To see if the Town will vote to transfer the sum of Seventy Thousand Dollars (\$70,000.00) from Fiscal Year 2016 Water Enterprise Department Retained Earnings to put toward the renovations of the Electric Light Building – 32 School St, or take any other action relative thereto.

Seconded by Rob Baldini, All were in favor.

Sewer Articles

To see if the Town will vote to transfer the sum of Thirty thousand dollars (\$30,000.00) from Fiscal Year 2016 Sewer Enterprise Department Retained Earnings to put toward the renovations of the Electric Light Building – 32 School St, or take any other action relative thereto.

Seconded by Rob Baldini, All were in favor.

To see if the Town will vote to transfer the sum of One Hundred and Seventy Thousand Dollars (\$170,000.00) from Fiscal Year 2016 Sewer Enterprise Department Retained Earnings to put toward the Gravity Sewers in the Rte. 97 Project, or take any other action relative thereto.

Seconded by Rob Baldini, All were in favor.

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Letter Received from Mike Dempsey regarding land swap around the town forest

The Board received a letter regarding the easement for water at the Town Forest. Tom felt that this should be reviewed by Cammett Engineering. Tom will check to see if the actual easement has been recorded. Also, Tom will talk to Mike regarding the Douphinette property and easement.

Meeting date with the Finance Board

The department is meeting with the Finance Board on March 8th at 6:15PM on a Wednesday. Tom stated that he asked if they needed any additional information he got no response.

Addendum to Personnel By-Law

On hold

Cleaning of the Tanks

Tom reported that he got an adjusted price to inspect both wells.

<u>Jim Sheehan motioned to accept the bid of \$8990.00 from Underwater Solution to inspect both tanks.</u>
<u>Seconded by Rob Baldini, all in favor.</u>

Smoke Testing Sewer

Victor Olsen will be coming in soon to do a smoke testing. The department is addressing the small leaks.

Billis's Property

Tom will touch base with them.

The next meeting will be March 8th at 6:00 PM with the Finance Board. The next regularly scheduled meeting with be March 20, 2017 at 4:30 PM

Respectfully Submitted,

Pat Rogers