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Attending: Jim Sheehan, Chairman, John Gray, Jake Greaney

Superintendent: Tom Cusick

Office Manager: Pat Rogers

Visitors: Ryan Allgove, Environmental Engineering

Customer; Ray Heck Birchwood Terrace

Ryan Allgove, from Environmental Engineering present the Board with a packet for DEP and will have a conference call with them and also meet with them. He also projected the growth of the town. Ryan did state that the department can't pump anything if we are not allowed to by DEP.

Well # 3-4

Well #3 has decreased and the department has decreased #1. They are still collecting data. We are reducing both and will get the data to get a base line. Tom stated that he spoke to an expert on wells and we could shock #1 and still take samples. This whole process could take up to five years to complete. With Haverhill putting their new well in across the river they should have to prove that they will not impact our wells. Jim Sheehan stated he would like to know how much water our town is looking for; he would like that put into the packet that Ryan is working on. Haverhill is putting in the biggest well in the State across the river, we need to request from Wright Piece's engineer what the impact would be and a time table for the next couple of years. Tom thought it will dump the water into Millvale and then be treated. Tom will look at the budget and the system development account to see what we can afford to spend on this project.

Raimund Heck from 9 Birchwood Terrace

He had a leak from his irrigation system. He doesn't use an irrigation meter. He was requesting an abatement. Pat Rogers, Office Manager explain that this billing period was that much higher than his last year usage using two billings. The Board agreed that he will be allowed the discount on his bill but he will have to pay the usage in full. He also complained that that he has dirty water the laundry is getting wrecked, it was discussed to flush the water heater. Also in the winter we ruined his lawn near the hydrant. Tom stated that all he need to do is call and we will come down and seed and loam the area.

Don Greaney – Representing Applied Graphics

Don felt that its discriminator that the department is only charging for sprinklers and hydrants. He felt that it doesn't seem reasonable. This was in the rates study that was done by Ryan Allgove,

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Environmental Engineering. The department has the ability to set the rates. Don stated that just the department can charge this doesn't mean they should. As for Whitestone the department maintains the hydrants and operates the system but we don't own the hydrants. John Gray felt that this is a legal issue. Jim Sheehan agreed to take this under advisement.

Ryan Allgrove, Environmental Engineering has presented the department with a draft of rules and regulations to be reviewed.

The minutes of October 15, 2018 John Gray motioned to accepted them with amendments of "email instead of called" John Gray, seconded by Jake Greaney all in favor.

The minutes of November 26, 2018 were accepted by Jim Sheehan, seconded by Jake Greaney, all in favor.

#### Budget 2020

Tom Cusick stated that he is not seeing anything major. His concerns are that we didn't make budget last year the pump age of water was down 8% and he will look into the rate study and how Ryan did it. Tom needs to review the data first.

Tom will look into a stabilization fund and how do we move those monies.

#### City of Haverhill

There has been no updates. Tom will reach out to Haverhill. Tom thinks a ten-year contract would be better. If Tom get any information he will pass it on.

#### Article #6 was tabled

Some of the information that was told at the special town meeting was incorrect.

#### Old Business

Tom suggested that there should be an open conversation with the Board of Selectmen regarding the extension of sewer (Article #6) Tom would like to have Denise put this Board on the Selectmen's agenda to discussion this further. John Gray motioned to meet with the Selectmen in the future regarding article #6. Jim Sheehan seconded the motion.

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**Superintendents Report**

**Developments**

**Atwood** –done bacteria samples are done the road is not completed. They are taking down some of the hill.

**Billis** – nothing new

**Nichols Village**

Flushed today bacteria test is tomorrow.

**Oak & Maple Development**

Deena wanted to talk to Tom regarding looping of the project. They need to upgrade Washington Street. He is proposing no loop. The Board will not approve it unless there is a loop.

**Salem Street**

The Town has set up a group for a working group for the 192 Unit 40B Tom attended and it was a good meeting. Bill Daley presented a plan Tom explained to Bill that he should let the department know what he needs and that he needs to loop the water main.

**Nelson Street – Brad Lugios**

He is doing self-storage area facility there, two buildings 4,000 square feet – Tom needs more details.

**185 Main Street SBA Towers**

Putting Sprint for an additional wireless carrier. This departments concerns are the 400' radius and the generator. The Town Planner only requires an e-mail.

**23 School Street**

HVAC – the bids have not gone out yet. The Town Manager has had this for over one month. Tom will talk to her again.

The crew is completely out of the shed. We are still heating the shed. Tom will ask the Building Inspector about an occupancy permit hopefully by the Spring.

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Rail Trail –

Nothing new

Future Operation staffing

Tom would like to hire a part-time help at the new building, Pat Rogers, Office Manager has a lot of time and the department will need someone for window time. Jim Sheehan requested all the time Pat Rogers is entitled to for the next meeting.

The next meeting will be January 14, 2019.

John Gray motioned to adjourn at 6:45 PM Jake Greaney seconded all were in favor.

Respectfully submitted,

Pat Rogers