

Groveland Water & Sewer Commissioners Meeting

August 26, 2020

Attending: Chairman, Jim Sheehan, Jon Carl Bellinger, Jeremy Lapone

Superintendent: Colin Stokes

Administrative Assistant: Heather Torres

Visitors: Mike Alesse, Kevin Cunniff, and Jim Fiore regarding the King Street Project

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Jim Sheehan opened the meeting at 4:00 PM.

King Street Development

The superintendent, Colin Stokes excused himself from the room during the King Street development. Mike Alesse, Kevin Cunniff, and Jim Fiore described replacing 1500-1600 feet of the water main beginning at the intersection of Center St. and King St. to the new development located at 106 King St. Mike Alesse, Kevin Cunniff, and Jim Fiore requested assistance from Groveland Water and Sewer Department in replacing the water main. Mike Alesse, Kevin Cunniff, and Jim Fiore requested Groveland Water and Sewer waive fees approximately \$30,000, supply materials estimated between \$80,000-\$90,000, which will be put out to bid, waive the loop, perform pressure testing and chlorinating, and assist with tapping and transferring over existing houses on King St. Jon Carl Bellinger excused himself during the discussion because not all attendees were wearing face coverings. During construction the road will remain open with 1 police detail. Mike Alesse agreed to pay for the police detail as well as signage reading "Residents Only". Water commissioner, Jeremy Lapone requested a map or drawing of the plans. The builder's engineer is working on the drawing. Jon Carl Bellinger returned to the meeting requested that all in attendance wear a mask, all complied. **Jim Sheehan motioned to agree to preliminary plans but require finalized plans before signing off on them, seconded by Jeremy Lapone, all in favor.**

Colin Stokes returned to the meeting.

Minutes from last meeting

Jon Carl Bellinger motioned to accept the minutes from 7/20/2020, seconded by Jim Sheehan, all in favor. Jon Carl Bellinger requested page numbers on the minutes going forward.

City of Haverhill

No updates.

Well Exploration update

Preliminary report revealed iron level is higher than existing well, manganese level is the same as existing well, and PFAS level is negligible. High levels of manganese and iron are the causes of discolored water. The goal of the new well is for clear water. Manganese does not pose any health concerns; however it is aesthetically displeasing. There was a brief discussion regarding funds allocated to well exploration and options for clearer water. The board will continue the discussion once the finalized report is received.

Superintendent's Report

Colin stated the crew is still down a member. Heather Torres is working 30 hours per week on a temporary basis. The water board respectfully recommends the selectmen hire her fulltime, 37.5 hours per week at \$30 per hour and two weeks paid vacation. In six months, the water board will review the hourly pay. The board will ask the selectmen to post part-time administrative assistant position. Patricia Rogers will be in the water office on September 14, 2020 to provide training for the upcoming billing period. Jim Sheehan will provide the contact information of a printer company in Merrimack. New building updates-HVAC will finish up tomorrow, still need to raise the grade, need hot top, and paint interior and exterior.

Scheduled next meeting: September 14, 2020 at 4:00 PM

Jim Sheehan motioned to adjourn, seconded by Jeremy Lapone. The meeting adjourned at 5:10pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Heather Torres