

HARVARD WATER SYSTEMS STUDY COMMITTEE

MINUTES

Wednesday, February 18, 2015
Town Hall Meeting Room

Present

Committee Members: Kyle Hedrick, Ted Morine, Duane Barber,

Others: Rich Nota, Ron Ricci, Paige O'Brien

This meeting was called to order by Mr. Hedrick at 10 a.m.

Review & Approve Minutes of 1/21/2015

Mr. Morine moved to accept minutes as presented; Mr. Barber seconds; vote, aye, unanimous.

Discussion with DPW Director Rich Nota

The Committee members asked Mr. Nota questions about current situations:

- Mr. Nota agreed to test 13 Whitman as this is a property in failure;
- Mr. Nota suggested that parking be more restricted on Pond road;
- Agreed rock well has the best potential; hardness of the water trending upward and its potential unpalatability (not a health hazard) is Mr. Nota's greatest concern.

Review Action Items

Immediate focuses:

- protecting well heads and focusing on potential new site;
- analyze what is already there and identify any threats and associated fixing costs;
- isolate potential sources of pollution;
- make recommendations to lessen/eradicate sources of pollution;
- pinpoint a particular location and then have surveyors confirm.

Future tasks:

- examine cost benefit for getting a new well and laying pipe at new site (recommend no blasting);
- discuss considerations for expanding sewer district further down Pond Road and along Whitman Road.

Electing a Committee Chairperson

Mr. Morine nominated Mr. Hedrick to chair this committee; Mr. Barber seconds.

Next Steps

- Mr. Hedrick will work on cost figures for the consequences of failure; get water quality reports to review esp. secondary contaminants;
- Mr. Morine will talk to Mr. Nota about chemical analysis regarding wells;
- Mr. Barber will seek to get endorsement for restricting parking on both sides of Pond Road.

Mr. Morine made a motion to adjourn at 11:00; Mr. Barber seconds, vote aye, unanimous.

The next meeting will be Wednesday, March 4, 2015. 10:00

Respectfully submitted by Paige O'Brien