

Harvard Sewer Commission
March 12, 2012

9:00 AM

Commissioners: Cindy Russo, Kyle Hedrick, Rick Maiore

Others: Lorraine Leonard, Finance Director, Rich Nota, Dir of Public Works

A general discussion with Rich Nota about the town's role in specifying, acquiring and maintaining user grinding pumps. Some key points of the discussion, the need for a common pump, the town maintaining an emergency pump if lead times on replacements was too long, setting up a user help or alert line with the DPW acting as the first responder to assist the user in determining the problem.

On a motion by Rick Maiore: The commission will specify a single pump manufacture for use in the district. These specified pumps which will be a single or duplex model will be purchased by the user either directly or through their contractor. The town's responsibility ends with specifying the pump.

The vote 3 - 0

Lorraine Leonard presented the attached analysis of water use rates.

On a motion by Rick Maiore: The commission adopt the tier approach on the water use rate table as presented in the analysis of water use rates.

The vote 3 - 0

Lorraine Leonard reported that the working contract with W&S is actually the bid document submitted by W&S. and runs through 1/14. W&S will supply the commission a pds access to the bid document. \$40k of the document is for W&S to provide daily maintenance. While budgeted at \$85k/yr expenses have been in the \$60-\$65k range. Incidents could occur which could cause the total to go over \$100k.

Action: determine who at W&S Wayne or Wally could trace any increase in the cost of standard operation once the sewer plant starts operating.

A discussion with Rich Nota of fees or rates. The following were identified, but not formally adopted;

Connection fee

Usage rate

Drainlayer lic. Fee

Any fees normally required by the town ei electric and inspections etc.

Action items: determine if MRPC is a source for connection funding for users.

Can the town execute a contract with a pump mfg. to allow individual users to purchase.

All work on the R&R draft was carried over to the next meeting, 3/19.

Rick Maiore

Clerk