

Harvard Sewer & Water Commissions

MINUTES

Wednesday, April 22, 2015
The Hapgood Room

Present

Commissioners: Cindy Russo, Kyle Hedrick, Rick Maiore

Others: Tim Bragan, Town Administrator; Tracy Kraus, Whitman Road; Jonathan Williams, Whitman Road; William Kellogg, Oak Hill Road; Elizabeth Lowell, Lovers Lane; Paige O'Brien

This meeting was called to order by Ms. Russo at 9:06 p.m.

Public Comment

Ms. Lowell inquired about the possibility of a future sewer district expansion that would include her street, Lovers Lane. The Commissioners gratefully noted Ms. Lowell's appeal.

Town Center District Expansion of Whitman and Oak Hill Roads

- Mr. Hedrick deduces that the best approach to achieve benefits to the town and wellhead protection would be to only connect 13 Whitman Road and not the other properties;
- Because Whitman is a private road, the property owners can extend the connection on their own. The Commission would like a confident "yes" from all involved parties;
- Mr. Maiore addresses the conflict of expanding the district to include homes in distress or need but not to include buildable lots (deemed so prior to May, 2009). There are two buildable lots on Whitman Road;
- The Whitman Road property owners have been directed to get an estimate for the cost of connecting the entire road. Their deadline is May 13, 2015;
- Regarding the district expansion on Oak Hill Road: Ms. Russo discussed the expansion with the property owners of 27 Oak Hill Road and they are not interested in connection. The potential conflict is that it may be impossible to connect 25 Oak Hill without involving this property. This needs to be resolved before moving ahead with allowing this extension. Ms. Russo will confirm with Mr. Bragan.

Water System Study Committee

At a recent meeting, the Board of Selectman accepted the report the Committee submitted and recommends expanding the group. At their next meeting, the Board of Selectman will assign a new charge, Jack Guswa, a hydro-geologist, to advance the study.

Review & Approve Minutes of 4/08/2015

- Ms. Russo moves to accept minutes as presented. Mr. Hedrick seconds; vote, aye, unanimous.

Ms. Russo motioned to adjourn at 9:50 a.m.; Mr. Hedrick seconds; vote aye, unanimous.

Respectfully submitted by Paige O'Brien