

**WATER RESOURCES COMMITTEE  
TOWN HALL  
MINUTES – FEBRUARY 12, 2007**

**Members in attendance:** Rick Mattila, Chair; Dave Irwin, Vice-chair; Malcolm Brown; Bob Hunter; John MacLeod; Joan Meschino.

Not in attendance: Tom Burns and Ed Petrilak.

**Also in attendance:** Paul Weisman, Wright-Pierce; Jeff Musich, Wright-Pierce; Robert Roland, Aquarion.

**Meeting Called to Order: 7:15 p.m.**

**Public Input: None.**

Wright-Pierce Presentation: J. Musich presented the power point slides to be presented on March 13<sup>th</sup> to the Board of Selectmen on the study results. It was agreed that the Chair will introduce Wright-Pierce and give a brief chronology and describe the objective of the study – the committee explored likely pitfalls, found no fatal flaws, and determined that there are key factors still ahead to evaluate. The committee offered suggestions and gave feed back on the presentation. Wright-Pierce offered suggestions on next steps including initiating the conversation with Aquarion to determine whether it will consider being a willing partner or not and then decide the appropriate path to follow towards building the plant. Public information meetings will be scheduled. The committee should position itself for the next major technical work, specifically well work and environmental permitting work.

Due to the late hour, the committee tabled discussion on the ‘considerations’ document which Wright-Pierce circulated for its next meeting on March 12<sup>th</sup>.

**Water Usage Data Request:** The Chair advised the committee that its water usage request letter was sent to Aquarion as discussed in the prior meeting. The Chair asked R. Roland to convey to Aquarion that it would be helpful for it to provide information pursuant to the committee’s request as it becomes available. The committee will forward to Wright-Pierce as it is received.

**Minutes:** Approval of minutes for 10/16/06, 12/11/06 and 1/22/07 meetings were tabled until the next meeting on March 12<sup>th</sup>.

**Next Meeting: Monday, March 12, 2007 at 7:00 p.m.** at Town Hall.

The WRC will also post a meeting for **Tuesday, March 13, 2007 at 7:30 p.m.** when Wright-Pierce presents the study results to the Board of Selectmen.

**MOTION** by J. MacLeod, 2<sup>nd</sup> by D. Irwin to approve Wright-Pierce’s invoice for \$29,498. Unanimous. Work performed to date represents approximately 90% of work contemplated

under the scope of work. There is approximately \$7,500 fund remaining to be expended under the budget.

Wright-Pierce advised that it will be presenting at the New England Water Works Conference in Worcester on March 27<sup>th</sup>. All members of the committee are invited to attend.

**MOTION** by D. Irwin, 2<sup>nd</sup> by R. Mattila to adjourn. Unanimous.

**Meeting adjourned: 10:00 p.m.**

Minutes Approved: \_\_\_\_\_