# WATER RESOURCES COMMITTEE

#### **TOWN HALL**

## Meeting Minutes ~ June 4, 2007

**Members in attendance**: Rick Mattila, Chair; Dave Irwin, Vice-Chair; Tom Burns; Malcolm Brown; John MacLeod; Joan Meschino; Ed Petrilak.

**Also in Attendance:** Phil Lemnios, Town Manager, Jeff Musich, Wright-Pierce; Robert Roland, Aquarion Water Company.

Meeting called to order by Chair at 7:08 p.m.

Public Input: None.

### **Discussion of April Public Meeting:**

Public meeting was held as scheduled on April 28<sup>th</sup> at the Senior Center. The meeting was taped by Community Cable and aired on public television. A copy will be requested for Wright-Pierce and to keep on file at the Hull Public Library. R. Mattila and R. Hunter used their notes from the meeting to memorialize public questions and input. The notes will be integrated. If any other members have notes, please provide same to R. Mattila.

The final report is expected to be completed in August 2007. The WRC discussed whether to have a second public meeting at the end of August. The members felt it would be better to create a summary of the project with frequently asked questions which could then be presented to civic groups and town boards. E. Petrilak will create a list of civic groups. The WRC agreed to start posting basic committee information to the Town's web site.

Next steps include accepting the report, reappointment of the committee, and redefining committee mission.

### Status on Report Completion:

The members reviewed the revised executive summary with J. Musich. The WRC discussed the "true cost" of water production. Some assumptions have been challenged by the recent water usage data provided by Aquarion.

According to R. Roland, Aquarion has plans to renovate the Strawberry Hill Water Tank this summer.

**MOTION** by E. Petrilak, SECOND by D. Irwin, to direct Wright-Pierce to develop a scope of work with associated monetary value to better define the true cost of water production to a Hull residential user. **APPROVED**, Unanimously.

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Sewer records should be able to validate Aquarion's total cubic footage figures. Question regarding water loss in Hull. Wright-Pierce must make assumptions. Per R. Roland, system wide water loss is approximately 10%.

**MOTION** by D. Irwin, SECOND by J. MacLeod, to go into Executive Session to discuss strategy with respect to litigation, and not to reconvene in Open Session. **APPROVED** upon a Role Call Vote, Unanimously.

8:45 p.m. WRC members went into Executive Session.

Approved: 10/1/07