

CITY OF DOVER

JOINT MEETING OF ORDINANCE COMMITTEE – AND DOVER UTILITIES COMMISSION MINUTES

Meeting Type: Joint Meeting
Meeting Location: City Hall, 288 Central Avenue, Dover, NH 03820
Meeting Date: **Thursday, September 28, 2023**
Meeting Time: **6:30 pm**

Members Present: Dennis Shanahan, Deputy Mayor; City Councilor At-Large; Fergus Cullen, City Councilor Ward 6

Invited: DUC members Bret Carmichael, Otis Perry, Dennis Munson

Staff Present: City Engineer, Ken Mavrogeorge; Assistant City Engineer, Amelia DeGrace; Nancy Usbelger, Recording Secretary; Gretchen Young, Environmental Projects Manager; Jennifer Perez, Deputy City Attorney; Dan Lynch, Director of Finance

Stantec: Kelly Westover (via web)

Citizen: Linda Marullo

Lee Lapierre, Indian Ridge HOA

1. Call to Order

Deputy Mayor Shanahan called an Ordinance Committee meeting to order at 6:25 p.m.

There was not a quorum of the Dover Utilities Commission, so this was only an Ordinance Committee Meeting.

2. User's Forum

Lee Lapierre stated that they have an HOA Engineer Stormwater Plan, that they remain in compliance with that plan then we would qualify for a non-single-family credit program. He wanted to point out that they do not have the responsibility for their road. He asked that some of the language be changed to the ordinance 123.7 D.

Perez stated it can be written with a more detailed conversation for the HOA on a more individual level.

Marullo shared that she spoke with the City Manager and got a little more information. She is looking for more information about what they are actually paying for.

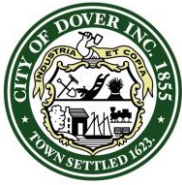
Young explained that for the City Hall building, water and sewer are paid. The same applies for a municipal building as a municipal road.

Shanahan explained where the fees get distributed.

Marullo asked are you going to bill us for our private homes and business if we own one? Who is going to pay the city's properties in Dover such as schools, The Children's Museum, etc.? She wants to make it clear to every home owner, you are going to pay for all city buildings as well. She wants to know what is the real cost?

Young stated it would be about \$230.00 based on her example.

Marullo asked why are we not just adding the fee to our property tax?



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Shanahan stated what creates the value of the fees is that some of the properties actually go into the water ways.

Mavrogeorge stated people are going to say why don't we stick with what we're doing now. The city is obligated to treat and take care of stormwater one way or another. This was the method that had the fewest flaws. The general fund is not designated for just stormwater, once you see all the different types of funding. If the stormwater utility is implemented it doesn't mean the city won't continue to look for grants and funding.

3. Old Business

A. Stormwater and Flood Resilience Utility Discussion

Perez went over the minor changes from the last meeting.

Gretchen went over some of the outreach programs that are in the works.

4. Areas of Concern

Motion: Williams made the motion to endorse moving this draft version with slight modifications with four policy points and to begin working as City Council Ordinance information, Cullen seconded.

Vote: U/a

Perry as a member of the public agrees with the motion.

5. Next Meeting Date

TBD

6. Adjournment

Motion: Cullen made the motion to adjourn at 7:48 pm, Shanahan seconded.

Vote: U/a

Discussion: