



CITY OF DOVER

DOVER UTILITIES COMMISSION - MINUTES

Meeting Type: Regular Meeting
Meeting Location: 271 Mast Road, Dover, NH
Meeting Date: **Monday, February 24, 2014**
Meeting Time: **6:00 pm**

Members Present: Chairman Otis Perry, Vice Chairman Jay Stephens, Dennis Munson, Bret Carmichael

Members Absent: Mark Moeller, Chris Berg

Alternate Member Absent: Matt Lahr

Staff Present: Doug Steele, Community Services Director, Bill Boulanger, Superintendent of Public Works & Utilities, Dean Peschel, Environmental Consultant, Jennifer Bretz, Recording Secretary

1. Call to Order

Meeting was called to order at 6:02 p.m.

2. Next Meeting Date

March 17, 2014

3. Approval of Minutes of December 16, 2013

Motion: Munson made the motion to approve the minutes, Stephens seconded.

Vote: U/a

4. User's Forum

No residents present

5. Abatement Requests

A. 9 Fourth Street

Peter Mantos, applicant, stated that his father, Peter Mantos Sr, is 90 years old and has been in rehab since July. He noticed that his fathers downstairs toilet was leaking. He went to City Hall and spoke with the Water Sewer Billing Office. He told them that he knew that the bill was going to be high. Upon discovery of the leak, he fixed it promptly. Once fixed, the usage went from 62 units to 13 units.

Boulanger stated that it was the leaking toilet that caused the overage. When staff inspected the facility they found that the downstairs toilet was running over. Usage did go back to normal once adjusted.

Motion: Munson made the motion to allow the applicant set up a payment plan with the Finance Office, Stephens seconded.

Vote: U/a

B. 2, 5, 11, 19 Nute Road Sewer Waiver

Residents requested to speak to the Commission together

Ray Paradis, 2 Nute Road, stated that his system is less than 20 years old. He has it inspected annually. The leach field was inspected six years ago. He has held a septic installers license.

Boulanger stated that there would be a small portion of the sewer main that would be gravity. The only way to provide sewer service would be to pump it with individual pump stations.

Paradis stated that he has some concerns. He would like the individual pump systems reviewed.

Boulanger stated that at the other end of Spur Road, they are all on individual pumps.



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Stephens stated that if the residents were granted a waiver, if system fails, waiver automatically ends. If any parts of their septic system had to be replaced there should be a stipulation that the property had to tie in.

Boulanger stated that everyone has a different situation. In order to treat everyone fairly, they will have to have a certified septic inspector go out and inspect the systems.

Carmichael stated that determining the current state of the system, if leaching matter into the soil, something would have to happen.

Boulanger stated that if they put a timeframe on it, at the end of the timeframe, the individual may want to tie into the system at that time. Another caveat would be if the house was sold or if they are finding amounts of fecal coming into the river.

Paradis stated that Nute Road nitrates are not causing the contaminants in the river.

Perry stated that there are a lot of things that staff needs to evaluate.

Motion: Munson made the motion to refer the Nute Road waivers to the next meeting.

Vote: U/a

6. Reports

A. Abatement Review Team Report

The report was reviewed and discussed by Staff.

B. Utilities Report

The report was reviewed and discussed by Staff.

C. Finance Report

The report was reviewed and discussed by Staff.

Motion: Munson made the motion to approve the reports, Stephens seconded.

Vote: U/a

7. New Business

8. Old Business

Peschel gave an update on the nitrogen situation.

9. Areas of Concern

10. Adjournment

Motion: Munson made the motion to adjourn at 6:54 pm, Moeller seconded.

Vote: U/a