



TOWN OF SUNAPEE
WATER AND SEWER COMMISSION
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Board of Commissioners Meeting
September 17, 2008
Sunapee Town Offices

PRESENT: Aaron Simpson-Vice Chair, Charles Smith, Christopher Leonard, Theodore Gallup, Kurt Markarian.

ABSENT: Tracy Nangeroni, Paul Manson.

Also present: Holly Leonard, David Bailey, Robin Saunders, Gary Szaluka and Bill Scharff.

The Vice Chair called the meeting to order at 6:03 p.m.

1. Perkins Pond:

Gary S. introduced himself as the President of the Perkins Pond Protective Association and stated that the diagnostic feasibility study done by DES had been conducted and that their final report had finally been issued. The Commission was provided with copies of the full report which had been missing the last two pages at the last meeting. Gary S. presented Robin S. as Vice President of the Association and Robin S. gave the first part of the presentation. Robin S. turned the presentation over to Bill S., and Bill S. explained some of the financial figures that he had developed with some help from Underwood Engineers, the Town Manager and several Real Estate Agents from the area. Aaron S. questioned the taxpayer portion of the project and if it included the road improvements. Bill S. answered that these figures did not include the road upgrades. There was some discussion regarding what the voters will see on the ballot. Aaron S. asked how the Perkins Pond residents with newer septic systems feel about the project. Bill S. stated that most of the residents are in favor of the project and understand the value of protecting the pond from contamination. There was some discussion regarding potential costs to the town's sewer users from the project and the fact that Perkins Pond residents would be asked to bear some of the cost of plant upgrades in the near future. Theodore G. questioned if the depth of the pond is a large part of the phosphorus problems. There was some discussion regarding silting and the problems with roads around the pond.

There was some discussion regarding potential development around the pond and on the property that the interceptor would cross to reach the treatment plant. Aaron S. questioned the other problem areas of phosphorus loading. There was some discussion regarding the sum of funds being presented for a warrant article and if this amount would be enough to complete the project. Bill S. stated that the only way to update the costs and grant amounts would be to have an engineer do an environmental study and apply for grants from DES and RDA, but that the percentage of grants available for the project should be the same as they were in 2001. Bill S. stated that Underwood is looking for the Commission to enter into a small contract to update all of these things. Dave B. passed out an e-mail from Steve Clifton of Underwood Engineers.

There was some discussion regarding best management practices and the impact of potential development of the watershed area of the pond as a result of extending sewer to the area. Bill S. gave some history of dams, mills and the pond drainage that had been changed in the past as well as what had occurred after the hurricane of 1938 with trees that were fallen.

Charles S. questioned what Perkins Pond Protective Association is requesting the Commission to do. Bill S. stated that the association would like the Commission to commit to updating the costs and grant information necessary to present solid figures to the voters.

Aaron S. questioned if the update engineering would need to be bid on in order for the project to qualify for grant monies. Theodore G. questioned the easements and if any were still valid or still need to be addressed. Gary S. had a copy of an agreement between the Selectmen and Sunapee Springs. Gary S. and Bill S. thanked the commission for their time and departed.

Aaron S. stated that three things need to be looked into before the Commission commits to anything: easements, if the engineering work needs to be bidded out, and how this project will effect the capacity at the plant. Holly L. will look into these issues.

Aaron S. stated that Tracy N. had received a contract from Sulloway & Hollis that he would like to see a vote to authorize Tracy N. to sign the contract on behalf of the Commission. There was some discussion regarding discussing the contract at the next meeting when all the Commissioners could review it.

7:25 p.m. Charles S. made a motion to adjourn, seconded by Kurt M., voted unanimously in the affirmative, so declared by the Vice-Chair.

Submitted by Holly Leonard.

Approved by the Water & Sewer Commission this 20th day of October, 2008.

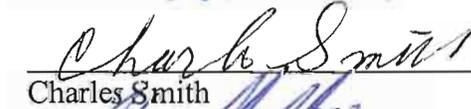


Tracy Nangeroni, Chairperson

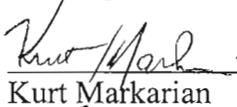


Aaron Simpson, Vice-Chairperson

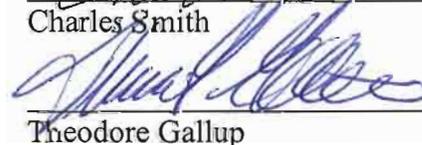
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