



TOWN OF SUNAPEE
WATER AND SEWER COMMISSION
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**Board of Commissioners Meeting
December 18, 2008
Sunapee Slow Sand Filter Plant at Harbor Hill**

PRESENT: Tracy Nangeroni – Chairperson, Aaron Simpson, Theodore Gallup, Paul Manson.
Also present: Holly Leonard, David Bailey, Larry Ballin, Tina Helm, Mark Kaplan, Jessie Levine, Richard Lee, Donna Nashawaty.

Neil Cheseldine, Peter Atherton and Victor Krea of Wright-Pierce.

ABSENT: Charles Smith, Christopher Leonard, Kurt Markarian.

Non Official Meeting, no quorum 6:05p.m.

1. Wright Pierce Presentation: Neil C. reported that the report he was handing out was preliminary and that there is still some work to be done on it. Neil C. explained the different sections of the report and stated that the headworks, sludge handling and aeration units should be upgraded. There was some discussion regarding the aeration system, the clarifiers and if the listed costs in the report are sufficient to do the entire project. Mark K. and Larry B. stated that they did not feel that the New London voters would approve this project and stated that they are facing a revolt of the tax-payers in their town. Donna N. questioned what the cost would be to bring the project to bid.

The Chair officially called the meeting to order at 6:47 when Paul M. arrived

2. After some consultation Peter A. stated that the design phase only would cost approximately \$170,000 for Sunapee at the 30% of cost and \$400,000 for New London's cost at 70%. There was much discussion regarding the projected federal stimulus package for wastewater projects and if the projected costs were enough to cover any increases in construction costs if the warrant articles do not pass. There was some discussion regarding how much funding would come from tax or sewer user fees in New London, Aaron S. stated that he felt that the sewer users would pay for the Sunapee portion. There was some discussion regarding inflow and infiltration. Larry B. feels that the project should be done by going with the design phase this year and have the project ready to move forward for next year. Aaron S. questioned putting both the design phase and phase 1 of the construction on the ballot for this year in Sunapee and see what New London approves. There was some discussion regarding deadlines for warrant articles and the difference in timing with Sunapee being an SB2 town. It was decided that another meeting should be held with Wright Pierce early in January. There will be a meeting on January 7 at 5:30 p.m. Neil C. would have Dave B. get together with any parties not familiar with the Wastewater Treatment Plant and explain the processes there earlier that day in preparation of the meeting.
3. Wastewater Treatment Highlights: Dave B. reported that the high flows last week had caused the phosphorus limit to be exceeded. Jessie L. questioned what the high flows had been. Dave B. reported that the plant had experienced flows of 900 gallons per minute for part of the day on the 12th. Dave B. reported that the bridge is now open and that Stearns has been hauling sludge and that he has filled a geo-bag to get the sludge holding tank down to

approximately 19 feet. There was much discussion regarding sludge handling options and costs.

New London Departed at 7:43 p.m.

Aaron S. invited Donna N. to stay for the discussion about the warrant article. Aaron S. stated that he thinks that Sunapee should go forward with putting Phase 1 on the warrant this year. Donna N. questioned if the Commission is thinking of asking the taxpayers to foot any of the bill for this upgrade. The Commission feels that it should be paid for by the sewer users, not the taxpayers.

Aaron S. would ask Commission counsel if Sunapee went ahead and funded phase 1 would that prohibit Sunapee from billing New London back for their portion of the project, and if the Commission can spend funds from the Capital Improvement account and then pay it back to the account after borrowing the funds or receiving payment from New London or from Grants.

Aaron S. made a motion to place a warrant article for up to \$570,000 for the full amount of the design of the Wastewater Treatment Plant upgrade through the bidding phase, with funds to be used from the Capital Improvement Account, with New London to pay back their portion of the project and to accept any grants available, and to put any funds paid back to Sunapee into the Capital Improvement Account, seconded by Theodore G., voted unanimously in favor, so declared by the Chair.

Donna N. updated the Commission on what was being proposed for a warrant article to update the design for sewerage Perkins Pond. Donna N. stated that she is waiting for Underwood Engineers to get back to her with an amount to place on the warrant.

Aaron S. made a motion to develop a second warrant article for the full price of phase 1 and to put in it that if this article passes then the \$570,000 article is not necessary, there was no second. There was some discussion regarding not putting any of the rest of the upgrade to the voters until next year when the package is all ready to bid and the design is complete.

Donna N. departed at 8:47 p.m.

There was some discussion regarding the clarifiers and different treatment options that would increase the clarifier capacity. There was much discussion regarding other options for upgrading the plant.

Wright-Pierce representatives departed at 9:00 p.m.

3. Forms for Signing:

November 20, 2008 Meeting Minutes: Theodore G. made a motion to accept minutes as presented, seconded by Aaron S., voted unanimously in favor, so declared by the Chairperson.

November 2008 Sewer Purchase Journal: Aaron S. made a motion to approve the sewer purchase journal as presented, seconded by Theodore G., after some discussion regarding PSNH, voted unanimously in favor, so declared by the Chairperson.

November 2008 Water Purchase Journal: Aaron S. made a motion to approve the water purchase journal as presented, seconded by Theodore G., voted unanimously in favor, so declared by the Chairperson.

Meter reading error abatement requests: Aaron S. made a motion to approve the abatement requests for LAS 247, LAGM 1114 and MAS 57 as presented, seconded by Paul M., voted unanimously in favor, so declared by the Chairperson.

LAS 255 Abatement Request: Paul M. made a motion to grant the abatement request for LAS 255, seconded by Aaron S., voted unanimously in favor, so declared by the Chairperson.

LAS 110 Abatement Request: Theodore G. made a motion to grant the request for abatement for LAS 110, seconded by Aaron S., voted unanimously in favor, so declared by the Chairperson.

SAU 85 Abatement Request: After some discussion regarding the issue that had caused a need for an abatement request, Theodore G. made a motion to approve the request for abatement for SAU 85, seconded by Aaron S., voted unanimously in favor, so declared by the Chairperson.

HD 16 Abatement Request: After some discussion regarding the property, Aaron S. made a motion to grant the water use abatement for HD 16 in the amount of \$100.00, seconded by Paul M., voted unanimously in favor, so declared by the Chair.

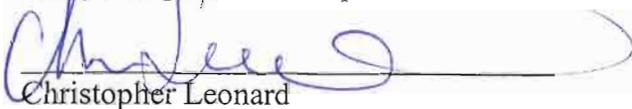
4. Old & New Business: Holly L. passed out a new proposed agreement between Granliden, the Commission and the Town with changes that had been suggested by Granliden and Donna N., there was much discussion regarding the wording in the agreement. Aaron S. would put parenthesis around the section in #2 that states: (so that the Town can maintain this section). Aaron S. made a motion to reconsider the vote of November 20, 2008, seconded by Theodore G., voted unanimously in favor, so declared by the Chair.
Aaron S. made a motion to authorize Tracy N. to sign the agreement with the amended wording on behalf of the Commission, seconded by Theodore G., voted unanimously in favor, so declared by the Chairperson.

Paul M. made a motion to adjourn at 9:58 p.m., seconded by Aaron S., voted unanimously in favor, so declared by the Chairperson.

Submitted by Holly Leonard.

Approved by the Water & Sewer Commission this 26th day of February, 2008.

Tracy Nangeroni - Chairperson



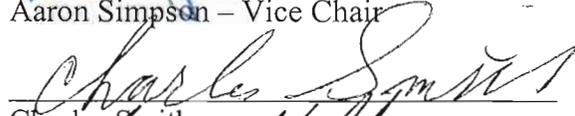
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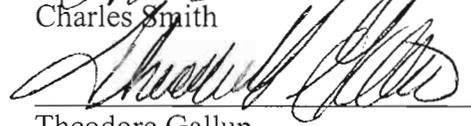
Paul Manson



Aaron Simpson - Vice Chair



Charles Smith



Theodore Gallup