

WATER RATE COMMITTEE

Rate Committee meeting held Tuesday, 1/7/14; called to order @ 7PM by Robert Stevens.

Present: William Foster, Merle Prentice, Robert Stevens, and James Tornatore.

Absent: Thomas Evans

Motion made by M. Prentice to approve 11/5/13 minutes; second Wm. Foster. Carried. *There was no Rate meeting 12/3/13.*

Brief discussion regarding the three Town residents who have to find alternate source of water no later than March 15, 2014 as Village will be shutting off supply due to leaks. One resident has well in, with piping from well to home yet to be completed due to weather; one resident started paperwork for program; third residents do not appear to have started process.

Wm. Foster stated that the drives at the wells were installed approximately 3 ½ weeks ago. Water hammer greatly reduced. At startup for well #4 there is 3-5 pounds of pressure; #3 is slightly more at 7 -8 as motor needs more power to start; shut off is so smooth there is no sound except a 'click', and no backflow valve involved. Wm. Foster said Tim Steed of HUNT said electric usage will decrease, there will be less breakdowns, and the pumps themselves will last longer. There was a situation where pumps needed to be turned on/off manually as got call that batteries power out; went to reservoir and charged each battery for 1 ½ hours and worked fine for 3 hrs, then out. Per Aqualogics, batteries needed to be slow charged for 5 hrs, which was done. The solar panel had been covered so the batteries died; the second time the batteries died settings were wiped out. The new radio solar installed has heater unit within it. With both pumps off, #4 was kicked on first and primed for 3 hrs; #3 kicked on with no change in pressure resulted. Both pumps were run for hours then shut off one, redid the heights & levels, manually shut off both, then #4 back on. There was automatic shut off at 23' @ the reservoir, with no water spillage. Both wells working fine.

Per J. Tornatore, water system maps received, with one set going to County GIS system.

J. Tornatore stated there was a meeting at the County regarding the ladder factory. Meeting went into Executive Session @ 7:30 PM; Executive Session ended 8:05 PM.

Motion to adjourn by M. Prentice; second by J. Tornatore; carried at 8:12 PM.

Kathy McCall Account Clerk Typist

* * * NEXT MEETING TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 4th * * *

