



## WATER RATE COMMITTEE

Rate Committee meeting held Tuesday, 2/4/14; called to order @ 7PM by Robert Stevens.  
Present: Thomas Evans, William Foster, Merle Prentice, Robert Stevens, and James Tornatore.  
Motion to accept 1/7/14 minutes made by M. Prentice; second by Wm. Foster. Carried.

J. Tornatore had invited Village Board candidates to meeting; there will be one returning trustee and three new trustees in the March election.

R. Stevens stated he and Wm. Foster met with NV Fire Dept. members who requested (1) all sources of water identified and (2) flow tests on all fire hydrants, with recommendation this be done every five years. Fire hydrants map from HUNT given to NVFD and flow tests to be done by end of summer for 2014, with Wm. Foster supervising. Each hydrant's flow to be color coded paint on caps & hoods (bonnets). Wm. Foster to check with Tim Steed of HUNT as to any NYS standardized coloring. Water amount flushed will be recorded for loss report. Info packets made for surrounding fire departments, but it was questioned whether water system maps need to be provided due to security concerns. J. Tornatore will contact Tioga County's Fire Coordinator, John Scott, and Emergency Services Richard LeCount regarding this.

Per Wm. Foster, one-third of total water disappearing out in the town; since beginning of last year, 2 to 4% increase each reading; started @ 49%; now 58%. Of three Town residents to be shut off, two of three wells done, or in progress. There is a valve that shuts off water to Town, but will not affect Golden Lane's town location.

Wm. Foster reviewed incidents of water lines with frozen pipes between house and service valve; two caught and unfrozen before any damage occurred; two others, pipes burst inside residences, with major damage; water valve shut off for one seasonal residence; second home empty due to vacationing occupants. There have been no water main pipes frozen in the Village system. R. Stevens commented that is a good sign of the water project construction quality.

R. Stevens discussed broadcasted program on fracking. He clarified that fracking legal in NYS for 30,000 gallons a well; there is an arc of profitable areas in this southern tier area of NYS.

\$ 392.34 AMBIT check recvd 2/3/14 - utilities savings 1/1 -12/31/13 as AMBIT new vendor.

Motion to adjourn by T. Evans; second by M. Prentice. Carried. Adjourned 8:30 PM.

*Kathy McCall, Account Clerk Typist*

*\*\*\* NEXT MEETING*

*TUESDAY, MARCH 4<sup>th</sup> \*\*\**

ORIGINAL