



WATER RATE COMMITTEE

Rate Committee meeting Tuesday, 3/4/14; called to order 7PM by Robert Stevens.

Present: Wm. Foster, Merle Prentice, Robert Stevens, Chair; & James Tornatore.

Absent: Thomas Evans

Motion to accept 2/4/14 minutes made by Wm. Foster, 2nd M. Prentice. Carried.

Wm. Foster spoke of water issues: *Rock Street* – water line broke due to being frozen; work was done to replace plastic with copper; pipes froze again. Martin's Plumbing called in. F.P. Kane construction also worked on area between the main to valve to remove ice from backfill . The first year dirt disturbed the insulation, it got wet, and fissures in rock allowed water to freeze. Wrapped insulation, and then hard insulation and backfilled. Frost line 3 ½ to 4 feet down. Martin's Plumbing and Kane's expenses will come out of cap charge revenue. *Smullen Avenue*- 6" main break due to stress crack as ground possibly shifted; water rose to top, kicking frost out and then they were able to dig.

Regarding water supply to the town residents on the service, per Wm. Foster 60% of water pumped to the town is lost, which is 1/3 of overall water. The health department requirement of six month notice, and the legal procedure of notifying town residents of shut off and of the shut-off date has been met. Due to severe weather issues, the previously set shut-off date of 3/15/14 changed to 4/21/14. Wm. Foster stated the frost line is so bad there would be no ability to hook up by any plumber or contractor as can't dig. Notification of the three town residents, Scott Freyburger of the Tioga County Health Dept., with cc to Stuart Yetter, NV Town Supervisor will be done.

Brief discussion regarding another possible reduction in debt service charges. J. Tornatore suggested waiting one more quarter to gather more information regarding debt service revenue collected at quarterly billings.

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Brief discussion regarding the old ladder factory site. The Village Board allowed revenue put into reserves in order to put out bid on demolition and removal. The procedure will be that work will go to bid, and then Village go to County for funding sources. Village still will want to pursue owner to board up site by March 26, 2014 deadline; if not done, Village will seek fine again via Town court process.

Motion to adjourn by M. Prentice; second by Wm. Foster. Adjourned 8:50 PM.

Kathy McCall
Account Clerk Typist

NEXT MEETING APRIL 1stNO FOOLING! ☺