



## *WATER RATE COMMITTEE*

Rate Committee called to order by Robert Stevens @ 7PM, Tuesday, *July 1, 2014*.

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

Guests: John Frieman, Village resident; George Wahl, NVFD Fire Chief

Motion by M. Prentice to accept 6/3/14 minutes; 2<sup>nd</sup> Wm. Foster; carried.

G. Wahl stated per NFPA standards on hydrants, flow tests needed, along with tops & caps of hydrants painted to show water pressure, i.e. 1500 gal is blue; 1000-1499 is green; 500-999 is orange, and less 500 is red. Per regs hydrants to be tested every five years, with staggering schedule. NVFD made a book; Village of NV has copy. The book will be updated as some new ones installed; now flow test dates can be entered.

G. Wahl will check with other municipalities i.e. Endicott regarding borrowing equipment. J. Frieman had his own equipment present & gave a brief explanation of each item; J. Frieman will give lessons using his own equipment. J. Frieman reviewed his 37 years experience in NYS with four different water systems.

J. Frieman recommended contacting HUNT to write procedure and send to local Dept. of Health (DOH) (Scott Freyburger, Engineer) to approve, with DOH response in writing for documentation (i.e. email).

J. Frieman reviewed testing occurs with two hydrants at once, checking pressure at first one (upstream), then the other, with third person reading numbers; it will be DPW staff who will shut off valves, etc. Information of flow test, volume, and condition of hydrant (i.e. working, not working) noted on specific testing form.

G. Wahl spoke of fire ponds and dry hydrants that need to be noted for PESH. NFPA states there needs to be two water supplies for each part of the district, and they need to record if available 365 days/yr or is seasonal availability. The updated booklet is used by mutual aid companies that come into this district.

J. Frieman stated traffic control and safety was primary importance, and therefore NVFD fire police would be helpful. Also, record keeping is crucial.

Wm. Foster spoke of new furnace needed for Municipal Building. The efficiency of LP gas is 97%, there can be 2" PVC pipe for exhaust, and maintenance is great; the only item that goes more quickly would be the ignitor. A minimum of 399,000 BTU is being sought. Also, there should be NYSERDA rebate due to switching to higher efficiency; the newer furnace wouldn't run full bore so it is more efficient, and gradually increases to heating need through sensors.

Wm. Foster also spoke of flooring in MBldg's Noble Room. Asbestos tile will be taken up, the mastic (3% asbestos) will be sealed off, luaun put down, and rolled rug.

Wm. Foster spoke of US Geological Service doing mock up of well #3; survey was redone that was done 5-7 years ago at no cost to Village.

R. Stevens stated the grant proposal was sent in regarding sidewalks.

Motion to adjourn M. Prentice; Wm. Foster seconded; 8:10 PM adjourned.

*Kathy McCall  
Account Clerk Typist*

**\*\*\*\*\* NEXT MEETING AUGUST 5<sup>th</sup> \*\*\*\*\***