



WATER RATE COMMITTEE

Rate Committee called to order 7PM by Robert Stevens, Tuesday, 1/6/2015.

Present: Wm. Foster, Jeremy Frederici, John Frieman; Merle Prentice ; Robert Stevens, & James Tornatore

Guest: Mertie Pozzi

Motion to accept 12/2/14 minutes by M. Prentice; second Wm. Foster. Carried.

Clerk Pozzi had handouts on water and solid waste (garbage) funds; summary shows previous fund balance, revenue, expenditures, and ending fund balance. Brief discussion that water budget is short in budget, but monies could come from fund balance as enough available; solid waste budget also short and Clerk felt that fund balance can't be decreased any more.

Wm. Foster briefly discussed garbage collection truck body & frame in great shape due to sandblasting and undercoating; motor sounds good at this time, but that would be a major future expense. Last work was starter was installed; in its routine checks, battery replacement this year, alternator year before; two years ago was brakes.

R.Stevens stated more monies would be collected for water through debt charges. Brief discussion on whether to raise water rates, or use monies from fund balance; clerk recommended use of fund balance funds.

Brief discussion regarding garbage service; it was consensus rate change needs to occur, but group wanted only \$5.00 each quarterly billing, with monies from fund balance and wait a year to see if additional \$5.00 increase needed.

J. Tornatore to bring garbage increase to Village Board meeting 1/13/15.

Wm. Foster stated leaks fixed on Smullen and on Maple; saved a lot of water as bigger leaks. Flushing of hydrants, state use of water, and leaks will appear on loss report. Reservoir will be lowered to 14', a safe level in early spring after discussion with HUNT engineer Tim Steed.

J. Frederici stated there is hand-held radiance meter to determine, via computer model, watts per solar panel.

Meeting went into Executive Session at 8 PM. Session ended 8:15 PM.

Motion to adjourn made by J. Frieman, second by M. Prentice. Meeting adjourned at 8:15 PM.

NEXT MEETING TUESDAY FEBRUARY 3, 2015