

**TOWN OF GREENVILLE, NH**  
**SELECTMEN'S MEETING**  
**July 7, 2010**  
**Minutes**

**Meeting Opened:** Chairperson Bergeron called the meeting to order at 5:05 p.m.

**In attendance:** Chairperson Bergeron, Selectperson O'Keefe, Selectman Scott Blease, Town Administrator Kelley Collins, and one member of the public.

**Richardson Road**

The Board will discuss the status of Richardson Road with the Acting Road Agent, Mike Bergeron, at their meeting on July 14, 2010.

**Engineering Contract for High Street**

Selectperson O'Keefe made a motion to authorize Headwaters Hydrology to start with engineering proposal. The Board will discuss where the Town's share will come from. Selectman Blease seconded. Vote: 3-0

**Complaint regarding blockage of a Class VI Road**

The Town Administrator made the Board aware of a written complaint regarding boulders that have been placed across, and blocked access, to a Class VI Road. This is the road that used to run to the Town's dump. The Board would like the Town Administrator to contact Local Government Centers Legal Inquiry line for some direction on this issue.

**Adams Hill Water Tower**

Toby Fedder from Woodard and Curran joined the meeting. He noted that the low bid for the refurbishment of the Adams Hill Water Tower is \$118,000. Mr. Fedder still thinks that this tank should be abandoned in place. The NH Department of Environmental Services has gone on-record noting that it is rare for a community to eliminate water supplies. Mr. Fedder noted that fire flow tests were conducted and the town passed. Mr. Fedder also stated that he does not believe the tank will appreciably deteriorate in the next five years and it could be reconnected. Selectperson O'Keefe and Selectman Blease are not in favor of discontinuing use of this tank, they want the redundancy in the system. There was some brief discussion regarding whether the State will be coming out with additional funding, under which we might be able to fund a replacement of the tank. Mr. Fedder stated that the town is under no mandate from the State to fix this now, he did admit though that eventually the lining material will affect water quality.

**The Selectmen took a break at 6:00 p.m. in order to reconvene a Public Hearing on 2010 Water and Sewer Rates, at the Greenville Elementary School.**

**Public Hearing on 2010 Water and Sewer Rates**

Chairperson Bergeron called the Public Hearing to order at the Greenville Elementary School at 6:30 p.m.

There were approximately 16 local residents in attendance

The Board explained that they were not required by law to hold a public hearing but they thought it was the right thing to do. They had Woodard & Curran conduct a rate study and based partly on the results of the study the Board is considering a \$1.50 per 1000 gallon increase to the sewer rate. The water rate would stay the same.

Marshall Buttrick – asked how many different rates are there? On the water side, Pilgrim Foods has a negotiated water rate for two years. On the sewer side Pilgrim Foods and Greenville Estates Village District both have rates different from residential users.

Marshall Buttrick – asked if these rates account for capital improvements?

Toby Fedder noted that they do not include debt service. Mr. Buttrick noted then Temple and New Ipswich users get a free ride on capital projects>

Shirley Winslow – The question is, when are you going to raise the rates? After every town meeting? The rates aren't being changed in a timely manner.

Charles Buttrick – has a rate related question. What is the rate going to be for sprinkler systems and hydrant fees?

Leon Proctor – There are now additional hydrants on Route 31. Who is going to pay to put out a fire at Haffner's

Toby Fedder – notes that he has never seen a town charge for water to put out a fire.

Tom Barrett – asked if the town has considered a conservation program?

Leon Proctor – states that in a matter of weeks you are going to have 180 new users, is that why you didn't change the water rate? Mr. Fedder noted that no one knew exactly when Greenville Estates would actually be on-line. There should certainly be a savings but until they are on line we don't really have historical information.

Chairperson Bergeron noted that we are never going to be completely caught up. We cannot go back and make up the rates now. We can only move forward.

A member of the public asked if we are still dealing with infiltration in the system and we are.

Marshall Buttrick asked if there will be another rate meeting in April 2011.

Christine Deane wanted to know if the town considers other engineer s besides Woodard and Curran. The Town Administrator noted that the Board just signed an agreement tonight with another engineer, Headwaters Hydrology, to give the Town a proposal on the High Street landslide stabilization.

Chairperson Bergeron closed the public hearing at 7:10 p.m.

Submitted by: Kelley Collins/Town Administrator

Approved by:

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Chairperson Brenda Bergeron

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Selectperson Kelle O'Keefe

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Selectman Scott Blease