

**TOWN OF GREENVILLE, NH
SELECTMEN'S MEETING
January 11, 2012
Minutes**

5:00 p.m. Open Meeting

Chairperson O'Keefe made a motion to open the meeting at 5:00 p.m. Selectperson Bergeron seconded. Vote: 3-0

In Attendance: Chairperson O'Keefe, Selectmen Blease, Selectperson Bergeron, Town Administrator Kelley Collins, Peter Goodwin and Kyle Coolidge from Woodard & Curran and Chuck Terry, Randy Luopa, and Kevin Stetson from Utility Partners, LLC.

5:00 p.m. Meet with Peter Goodwin, PE and Kyle Coolidge from Woodard & Curran to discuss strategies for meeting EPA Administrator Order (AO) requirements by deadline of 2014.

Peter Goodwin/Vice President and Sr. Client Manager with Woodard & Curran began by noting that because the Souhegan River is an impaired waterway for metals levels, Greenville has stricter guidelines for metal emissions to the river than most Towns have for drinking water. In addition because of low flows there isn't a dilution factor. All our toxicity testing has passed.

To meet those very stringent limits you would look at emerging technologies such as CoMag which has a \$4million price tag, plus annual operations.

Local Limits Study – Woodard & Curran has sampled water at the water treatment plant to see if it was contributing to the loading at the Wastewater Treatment plant. The purpose of LLS is to understand what levels are coming from where. Non controllable sources (such as residential) vs. Controllable Sources (such as Pilgrim Foods who has an industrial user permit).

Woodard & Curran is recommending Interim Local Limits until we are in compliance with the EPA's Administrative Order.

We have completed a year's pilot program with chemical treatment. Chemical addition cannot guarantee that we will meet our limits.

Three options:

- 1) Optimize chemical approach
- 2) CoMAG (even CoMAG has issues with copper)
- 3) Tertiary filters would use chemical addition

We are talking significant capital costs and annual operating costs. The other choice is subsurface disposal. This would require finding a plot of land, not far from the plant, that was sandy in nature and piping the flow there and getting it out of the river. They did do some evaluation of this with their geo people. Instead of pumping to the river you would build a pump house and do rapid infiltration beds. There are two advantages to this: 1) you are no longer regulated by the EPA and 2) affluent limits are easily attainable by current treatment with some chemical addition. Mr. Goodwin noted that they have broached the subject with the State and with the EPA. However, they cannot come up with a capital cost because they don't know where it would go. First, they would like to meet informally on the Town's behalf with NH DES and EPA. We basically have five years from March of 2009 when we got our new permit and violated for three consecutive months. So we have to meet the requirements of the EPA's Administrative Order (AO) by February 2014 or show that we are trying to meet the AO and ask for an extension. The hydro-geo screening would be to determine whether we have a place to discharge other than the river. It is possible, depending on material, that we would need a 10 acre site.

Chairperson O'Keefe asked whether EPA considers that this is a small low-middle income community? No. They do not consider that at all. They are basically lawyers who evaluate the clean water act and enforce it. You still need to meet the limits. Chairperson O'Keefe asked if the subsurface plan would stop us from having to meet loading levels at the plant like we currently do? Yes, we could definitely meet the levels for subsurface discharge.

Peter Goodwin would like to meet with DES and EPA to vet some of this through them and then conduct the Hydro Geo Investigation this Spring. Chairperson O'Keefe asked if it has to stay in the Town? Not necessarily, but after you get to a mile or two, away from the plant, transmission costs start to outweigh the value of it.

The Board agreed to allow Peter Goodwin and Kyle Coolidge from Woodard and Curran, to meet with DES and EPA for a conversation and to look at Hydro Geo Investigation.

6:00 p.m. Meet with Chuck Terry from Utility Partners to discuss status of transition for Water and Wastewater contract operations

The Board met with Chuck Terry, Randy Luopa and Kevin Stetson from Utility Partners, LLC. Mr. Terry noted that he is still working on a template for reports for meetings.

Generally everything is not in too bad shape. The effluent pump at Wastewater Plant has issues. It won't turn off. They may be calling in an instrument guy tomorrow. The SCADA system is up and running. Overall it is going pretty well.

Should have their first report at the next meeting. The one thing they do not have is any records of past maintenance. Woodard and Curran's system was web based and the information went with the computers. Peter Goodwin from Woodard and Curran offered to see what information they can provide in hard copy for Utility Partner's use. Utility Partners will be purchasing the job-cal system and they will track maintenance on that system. Chairperson O'Keefe said that she is fine with not receiving reports right away – she is happy to give them a little time to get their bearings. Mr. Terry noted that they will track capital maintenance for us as well.

Old Business

Review and discuss status of High Street project – The Town Administrator is waiting for the engineering RFQ to be approved by the person at Community Development Finance Authority, which is required because of the CDBG.

Review and discuss Selectmen's submission to Town Report – Chairperson O'Keefe will provide her submission to the Town Report tomorrow.

Review and discuss setting up a budget work session with Tim Johnson, Emergency Management Director- the Board asked the Town Administrator to research whether other Towns are paying stipends for Emergency Management.

Review and discuss 2012 budget

The Town Administrator noted that we will need to spend the next meeting entirely on budgets. In addition, we have not received budgets for Wilton Recycling or Souhegan Ambulance despite several attempts to do so.

New Business

Review and discuss request from Attorney Greg Sargent to meet with Utility Partners to review pending legal matters – The Board has no problem with Attorney Sargent meeting with employees of Utility Partners but they are limiting it to two hours.

Review and discuss letter from Building Inspector/Code Enforcement Officer, Jim Shultz to Norman Brown, III regarding building without permit - The Board reviewed the letter.

Review and discuss email from Wes Ripple/DES Operations and Maintenance Inspector for Wastewater Treatment Facility – the Board reviewed the two emails sent from Wes Ripple to the Town Administrator regarding allowing Pilgrim Foods additional flow. The Board agreed that this was an issue for mediation with the attorneys.

Non Public Session under RSA 91-A:3,II (e) at 6:25 p.m.

Chairperson O'Keefe made a motion to go into Non Public Session under RSA 91-A:3,II (e) at 6:25 p.m. Selectperson Bergeron seconded. Roll Call Vote: Chairperson O'Keefe – yes; Selectman Blease – yes; Selectperson Bergeron – yes.

Chairperson O'Keefe made a motion to leave Non Public Session at 6:40 p.m. Selectman Blease seconded. Roll Call Vote: Chairperson O'Keefe – yes; Selectman Blease – yes; Selectperson Bergeron – yes.

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Review, discuss and approve check manifests

The Board reviewed, and approved the payroll and accounts payable check manifests

Review, approve and sign December 28, 2011 Selectmen's Meeting Minutes

The Board reviewed, approved and signed the December 28, 2011 Selectmen's Meeting Minutes.

Meeting was adjourned at 6:50 p.m.

Submitted by: Kelley A. Collins/Town Administrator

Approved by:


Kelle O'Keefe/Chairperson


Scott Blease/Selectman


Brenda Bergeron/Selectperson