

# Town of Niskayuna

May 6, 2021

Denise Murphy-McGraw, Chair



## WATER, SEWER & ENGINEERING COMMITTEE MEETING

**Present:** D. Murphy-McGraw, Y. Syed, M. Yetto, S. Fiminski, B. Backus, I. Alam, J. Hawley, L. Robertson, P. Briggs, R. Smith, P. Rakvica, S. Goldstein, K. Persons

Minutes of April 1st meeting are approved

---

### 1. Admin/Engineering:

- a. W&S COVID-19 response: We are finalizing policy changes for entering resident's homes for water meter services.
- b. Summer Engineering Intern: Committee approved Superintendent's request to hire intern.

### 2. Attorney's Items:

- a. Myers Extension: P. Briggs stated that he is waiting for residents involved to commit to extension. Will be removed from future agenda till decisions are made.
- b. City of Schenectady water bill: P. Briggs waiting for proposed contract from City.
- c. Pearse Rd. Sewer Extension: Resolution will be generated for acceptance of extension.
- d. Ingersoll Home Issue: No update. The Home last was waiting for materials. Will have update at next meeting.
- e. Easement Agreements: P. Briggs will meet with residents for 640 Maple Ln. (shed/fence easement), 787 Downing St.(fence easement), and 1384 Ruffner Rd. (drainage easement).
- f. Onondaga County Contract/Sewer Lining: P. Briggs approved piggybacking on the Onondaga Contract with Contractor Arold Construction.
- g. Country Club Utility Easements: The sewer line in that area is in homeowners back yards. P. Briggs to contact those that have limited access for agreements. The Contractor met with the Town in that area, and it was determined they will need very little entry in most yards.
- h. Kelts Farm Water and Sewer Extensions: Town Board will call for public hearing at next month's Town Board Meeting.
- i. Gazebo adjacent to the Water Treatment Plant: Town resident would like to provide a gazebo and installation which may include removal of some trees. Also in review of this request, includes who would be responsible for maintenance of the Gazebo. Information will be forwarded to P. Briggs for review.

### 3. WWTP:

- a. HSOW Program: Meeting will be set up for the week of 5/17 to discuss future plans for HSOW. M. Yetto met with B&L Engineering and DEC and letter was sent to Committee members.
- b. Sludge Disposal: A resolution will be generated for contract with Colonie for sludge disposal when needed.
- c. Plant Operator: Tentative resolution for operator if list is received from Civil Service for interviews.

### 4. Water Treatment Plant:

- a. Jeep Mini bid: Resolution will be generated for purchase of Jeep to replace 10 years pick up truck.
- b. Well Redevelopment: Bid results have been received and resolution will be generated for awarding contract.
- c. Roof Repairs: Committee approved to go ahead with repair of three pump house roofs (\$15,600).
- d. Plant Upgrades: MJ Engineering did an analysis of what is needed to upgrade plant and RFP went out this week. Won't have decision until June.

**5. Utility Billing:**

- a. 1<sup>st</sup> Qtr. Corporate Utility Billing: Resolution will be generated.
- b. Private Hydrant Maintenance Agreement: The 30 private hydrants annual billing will be included in the Corporate 1<sup>st</sup> Qtr. Billing.

**6. Recycling Center/Transfer Station/Landfill/Former W&S Garage/Drainage:**

- a. W/S River Rd. Facility: More cosmetic work and landscaping are continuing to be done. Highway Department will prep to pave this month.
- b. Storm water/Drainage: The annual MS4 Report is available on the Town's website for public review.

**SUMMARY: Finance Committee/Resolutions**

- 1. WTP Well Redevelopment: Resolution
- 2. Jeep Purchase: Resolution
- 3. WS Maintenance Work Hires: Tentative Resolution
- 4. Temporary Seasonal Worker: Resolution
- 5. 1<sup>st</sup> Qtr. Corporate Warrant: Resolution
- 6. Colonie Landfill Sludge Disposal Contract: Resolution
- 7. WTP Roof Repair (3) Contract: Resolution
- 8. Summer Engineering Intern: Tentative Resolution
- 9. Pearse Rd. Extension Acceptance: Resolution
- 10. Easement Agreements-(3): 640 Maple Ln., 787 Downing St., 1384 Ruffner Rd.: Resolutions
- 11. Onondaga Co. Contract for sewer lining: Resolution
- 12. Sewer and Water Extensions-Kelts Farm-Call For Public Hearing: Resolution
- 13. WWTP Operator hire: Tentative

**NEXT MEETING: June 3<sup>rd</sup> at 8:30 a.m.**

Minutes prepared by: K. Persons