

Sewer commisisoner meeting 9/28/2020

Attendance:

Alex Meisner- Commissioner
Dan Gray- Commisisoner
Rob Leighton- Commissioner
Melissa Murphy- Town Treasurer

Call to order- 4:00 PM

Citizens Concerns- Melissa Murphy has some concerns from some citizens

- Joe Rappa- had conversations with Chelsea about being demanded sewer money
- Jody James- has a concern about a \$60.00 interest charge on his bill.
- Bill of the Northfield Pizza Shop has an issue with classification. Meisner will follow up with him.

Review and Approval of previous minutes- A motion was made and approved by the commission for the 9/3/2020 sewer minutes.

Abatement Discussion- Discussion will continue on whether to have bills paid after the abatement rather before the abatement filing. An analysis of the sewer policies and procedures will be done.

Leighton has produced to me several documents ranging from

Set the Sewer Rate- For FY2020 Melissa Murphy, our sewer rate based on a recommendation from Melissa Murphy should be \$720.00 which is EDU rate per 1 unit. This brings our FY2020 budget to 316,213.00.

- Issac does not think 316,213.00 is enough to keep the plant in compliance. We need to raise a lot more money.
- Meisner asked Isaac to check around for grants.
- The sewer rate will be tabled for another meeting. We are not ready to make a motion and discuss this. Leighton thinks we should set the rate at the next meeting.
- Leighton will find out where these sewer loans have come from

Wastewater Superintendent Update-

- Isaac sent a bunch of paperwork to DEP and we will craft a letter that we will slowly move towards upgrading the plant. We do not have the money for most of the upgrades.
- For the Glenwood Ave. project, Tom will come in at the next meeting to discuss the Glenwood Ave.

Salary vs. Hourly Rate Discussion-

- Rob has an idea in saving money by having him on salary instead of being an hourly employee.
- Dan happens to be in agreement with this.
- Leighton makes a **motion** to hire for a part time sewer worker(s). **Seconded** by Meisner, passes unanimously.

Future agenda items-

Salary discussion

Budget discussion

Sewer discussion

Glenwood ave discussion

Topics not Anticipated- None

Adjourn- Meeting Adjourned at 5:06 PM

R. Leighton

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