

Approved: March 15, 2022

Select Board  
Meeting Minutes  
March 4, 2022 @ 1:00 pm  
Conference Room, Memorial Town Hall

Present: Select Board Members Edmund Jaworski and Brian Moriarty

Also, in attendance: Treasurer, Sharon Strzegowski; Town Administrator Marlene Michonski; Darryl Williams and Diane Brzozowski from Finance Committee; Dave Prickett, P.E., DPC Engineering, Justin Skelly, P.E., DPC Engineering joined by telephone.

Meeting was called to order at 1:00 pm by Select Board Member Ed Jaworski.

School Teachers Negotiation Committee Appointment

Mr. Moriarty explained that due to some changes in his work schedule he will not be able to continue as the Town's liaison to the negotiations committee. Recommending David Keir to replace him based on his involvement with the School District, Mr. Moriarty said he would be a good choice.

Motion made by Mr. Moriarty and seconded by Mr. Jaworski to appoint David Keir to replace Brian Moriarty.  
Unanimous vote

Mr. Moriarty asked that School Superintendent Wood, School Committee reps Christy Boudreau and Cathy Englehardt to the Negotiations Committee, be notified and request copies of materials be provided to Mr. Keir.

Wastewater Plant Upgrades / USDA Grant Application

Mr. Prickett gave an overview of the financing scenarios for the \$12,029,000 project based on a 40 year note at a 1.25% interest rate including anticipated 20% funding from USDA. USDA has notified the Town that the project grant is eligible for 20% to 25%. Loan must be spent before receiving grant funds

Mr. Prickett and Wastewater Plant Superintendent Eric Meals explained the project improvements and upgrades that are identified.

- Replacing the headworks system (wasteflow into plant)
- Replace moving parts
- Modify gravity thickener with pipe
- A new water system to handle capacity
- ½ mile of new water main extension
- Replacing main electrical system which parts are no longer available

Upgrade does not add capacity or take it away. Town has sufficient capacity.

Interest rate changes quarterly. Should USDA funds get used up, percentage of grant could be less.

Talked about percentage of loan on users and non-users @ a potential 60% users and 40% non-users. Would be looking at an estimated monthly cost of \$4.07 for non-users and \$21.78 for users.

Further discussion will take place at the Select Board's March 8<sup>th</sup> meeting including possibility of a special town meeting.

Motion to adjourn the meeting at 1:46 pm made by Mr. Moriarty and seconded by Mr. Jaworski. Unanimous vote.

Respectfully,  
Marlene Michonski, Town Administrator