Franconia Water Department

Work Session

Tuesday June 4, 2019

Town Hall Meeting Room 4:30pm

In Attendance: Water Commissioners Joan Hartford and Dan Walker; Meaghan Caron, Water Department Secretary

Public in Attendance: Lois Bijolle, Mittersill Resort

The goal of the work session is to review the state of the roads near The Mittersill Inn pertaining to the work that needs to be done to replace the shut off valves at the property line and to begin revision of the Water Department's Rules and Regulations.

Joan opens the meeting at 4:34pm. Dan seconds and the meeting begins.

Lois Bijolle brings photos of the main road leading up to Mittersill Inn. She shows them for reference. The road is in obvious need of repair and attention. We discuss the budgetary restrictions in the department as well as the town that are leading to the delay in paving the roads. Joan and Dan assure Lois that we are doing our best to plan out the projects in Mittersill to allow for the Town to plan for their paving.

Joan references details from the meeting last March when the Water Department met with Lois and Randy (head of maintenance at the Inn) regarding the work that needs to be done. At that time we discussed that the main shut off valve for the Inn and other properties close by is located at the top of the hill behind the building. The line then comes into the laundry room of the inn building to the interior shut offs. This causes a problem for any possible leak that would need urgent attention.

The handicap ramp is one of the main holdups/problems. It would likely have to be taken apart in order to lay the pipe into the building. We had hoped to be able to move it as one piece but that doesn't seem to be an option.

Discussion continues on the topic trying to find a middle ground, literally, where the Water Department can bring a pipe right up to the ramp and then the Inn continues the work from that point. Due to Darrel Dietlein and Peter Hilton not being able to make the meeting last minute we decide to regroup once Lois has spoken to her Board and Joan and Dan have briefed Darrel and Peter and gathered any additional information. Lois departs the meeting.

Peter had given Joan a quote from Ross Valves prior to the meeting stating that he pressure gauge needed replacement since it hadn't been replaced since the pump house was originally built. This is a pretty urgent situation and therefore Joan motions to approve the quote to have

Ross Valve move forward with the replacement of the pressure gauge. Dan seconds the motion. We call Pete and let him know that he can go ahead and call Ross Valves to schedule them come to do the work.

Joan and Dan review a small section of the Rules and Regulations and what they believe to be important sections on which to focus but due to Darrel not being able to attend the meeting it is decided to continue editing during our own time and to email Meaghan any suggestions or edits. Meaghan will continue to type up a newly formatted Rules and Regulations and include any suggestions for future review.

Joan motions to close the meeting at 5:55pm. Dan seconds and the meeting is closed.

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