

HARVARD WATER - SEWER COMMISSION

MINUTES

Wednesday, January 24, 2018 Harvard Town Hall

Cindy Russo, Chair Kyle Hedrick Richard Maiore

Present

Commissioners: Cindy Russo, Chair; Kyle Hedrick, Rick Maiore

Others: Tim Bragan, Town Administrator, Tim Kilhart, Director Public Works

- 1. The meeting was called to order by Ms. Russo at 9:00 a.m.
- 2. The Rate Hearing has been advertised. The notice as advertised was read by the Chair and the hearing was opened. The reasons for the proposed rate increase of 10% were explained by Tim K and Tim B. The increase is needed because of the cost of new DEP testing requirements, which Tim K reviewed. There has not been a rate increase in many years; the last one was before the current commissioners were appointed.. On a Maiore motion, the Commission unanimously approved increase as printed in the notice. A copy of the approved rates is attached. The hearing was closed.
- 3. The Commission reviewed the proposed change to the Water Regulations to add Water Regulations Section I. Cross Control Program. Adoption of a Cross Control Program was required by DEP. After discussion, on a Hedrick motion, the Commission voted unanimously to adopt the proposed regulations, including the fee schedule. We will review all the Regulations as a whole at our next meeting to make sure no conflicts have been created.
- 4. The minutes of December. 7 were accepted as amended.
- 5. Tim B reported that Jim, our water operator, is back. We are meeting DEP requirements at the plant.
- 6. The Commission discussed the issue of a need for an additional water supply, and decided to begin moving forward to investigate a new well near the existing wells. This site was identified by the Water Study Committee. Tim K will contact DEP to discuss scheduling a meeting to consider the siting of new well. Our discussion is that, if the site seems to meet DEP Requirements after the meeting, we hope to proceed to drill a test well.

The meeting was adjourned at 9:40.

PROPOSED QUARTERLY RATES

	GOARTERET RATES	
	WATER RATES	SEWER RATES
Base/Minimum Charge	\$ 27.50	\$ 27.50
Tier 1 < 1,125 c.f.	\$ 0.0266	\$ 0.0333
Tier 2 1,126 - 2,250 c.f.	\$ 0.0532	\$ 0.0666
Tier 3 > 2,250 c.f.	\$ 0.0799	\$ 0.0999