

Windham Economic Development Committee
Infrastructure Sub-Committee
Meeting Minutes, Thursday, November 7, 2013

Approved

PRESENT: Mike Oldenburg, Jim Coburn, Sy Wrenn and Ralph Valentine,

Meeting called to order at the Windham Planning Dept. by Ralph at 8:05 AM.

The minutes of October 24 2013 were reviewed and approved as submitted. On a motion by Sy, seconded by Mike, motion passed 4-0.

Ralph updated the sub-committee on the water study presentation. Ralph presented to the Planning Board on Nov. 6 at 6:00 PM. The PB voted to support the water study on a motion which passed 5-0. The Cobbett's Pond Improvement Association is still outstanding in terms of making a presentation. Ralph will follow up.

Jim reported that there is about \$195M set aside for NH by Exxon-Mobil. Certain contingents in Concord want the monies to go directly to the General Revenue Fund. Others want the monies set aside for pollution related purposes. In fall of 2013, one of the NH courts ruled that the monies could not be used for general revenue purposes. This case is again being appealed. There as discussion about how Windham can start the process to ask that certain amounts of the \$195M are used for our water study and future infrastructure. Jim said we need an LSR (Legislative Service Request) filed by Nov. 15, 2013 to start a placeholder process. Jim and Mike will reach out to Plaistow and Salem about joining the LSR. What are the Sunoco details as they may support the LSR?

Sy provided some details of wells drilled" near the Center School." These wells are actually behind the police station and were drilled in the 1960's. Jim will walk the area to try and locate these wells. Well details disclosed that some wells yielded as much as 60 gpm. We will continue to research these wells.

There was a short discussion about the amount of tax monies the EDC is reporting should our commercial parcels be built out. \$5M is the figure we are using. Ralph will meet with the assessor Rex Norman to again review the formulas and assumptions behind the \$5M.

NEXT MEETING to be determined

Motion by Sy, seconded by Mike to adjourn, motion passed 4-0., adjourned at 9:50 AM.

Ralph Valentine