

WEST WINDSOR WATER/WASTEWATER COMMITTEE

MINUTES OF May 24, 2011

PROJECT STATUS MEETING UPDATE

Chairman Keiller called the meeting to order at 10:25 a.m. Attending the meeting were Glenn Seward, Tom Kenyon, Don Robisky, Elvin Kaplan, Win Johnson, Al Keiller and Barbara Truex. Joe Duncan and Kevin Camara presented on behalf of Aldrich and Elliott, engineers in charge of the water/wastewater evaluation.

Joe and Kevin presented the results of the questionnaire distributed to 57 landowners in the defined study area. Of those, 31 responses were received after some follow-up. Both noted this is a good rate of return although no surveys were returned from the school or store which are important to the study. Glenn and Elvin offered to contact them respectively to urge completion of their surveys. Joe and Kevin will attempt to reach the Supervisory Offices regarding school information which should be available through the District office if the school doesn't have it.

Highlights of the survey summary thus far are: 43% of the septic systems were built before 1970; 73% are concrete tanks; 40% use dry well seepage pits and 27% use absorption trenches with 23% using absorption beds; 73% have had their septic tanks pumped with 53% being pumped within the last 6 years; most responders knew the location of their septic tanks and several responded to updates or repairs that have been made to their systems in the last 10 years. Most knew the location of their wells, the type of well and 80% reported the water quality was always good with 87% noting they have never run out of water. Based on affirmative survey responses, Aldrich and Elliott will determine exact locations of many of the water supplies using a hand held GPS Unit and will perform an on site wastewater assessment on some properties with permission from the property owners.

Although some respondents felt Seems Rd. and Brook Rd. should not be in the study area (that it should just focus on the village area), the committee voted to maintain the area limits as originally defined after assurance from the engineers this would not affect time allocation as estimated in the contract.

Between today, May 24, and June 3, A&E will conduct background reviews of data from permits, town records, GIS data and maps. The review will include looking for regulated water systems and well inventory/groundwater availability assessments.

Field investigations will be conducted June 9th. They will include water source and cluster/community wastewater disposal systems. On site wastewater inspections are scheduled for June 14th.

Data analysis will be conducted between June 15 and July 11 **with an interim meeting with the committee scheduled for July 7 at 10:00 a.m.** The **30% interim report** of the needs assessment results is scheduled as a well advertised **Public Meeting on July 19 at 7:00 p.m.**

The meeting was adjourned at 11:45 a.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Barbara Truex

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