

NEW LONDON-SPRINGFIELD WATER SYSTEM PRECINCT Commissioners Monthly Meeting

December 4, 2024

PRESENT: Kenneth Jacques (Chairman), John MacKenna (Commissioner), Rip Cross (Commissioner), and Rob Thorp (Superintendent)

Others in Attendance: sign in sheet attached.

Chairman Jacques opened the meeting at 4:00 PM.

The meeting discussed financial updates, including outstanding payments and project budgets. It was noted that \$6,000 is outstanding, and the project is expected to come in under budget by \$400,000 to \$500,000. Billing cycles in April and November were highlighted.

The discussion covered water system issues, including filtration, radon concerns, and seismic testing. The need for efficiency improvements and potential new technology was mentioned, along with conflicting viewpoints from various stakeholders.

Efforts to verify service line materials were discussed, with a focus on reducing unknowns and meeting federal requirements. The goal is to eliminate lead and galvanized connections, with a 10-year timeline for compliance.

The meeting addressed road maintenance and forest management, including state permissions and the impact of logging activities on watershed protection. The precinct's control over access roads was emphasized.

Rhonda's resignation was announced, effective January 15, 2025. The need to find a replacement was discussed, acknowledging Rhonda's contributions and the increased workload.

Rhonda announced her decision to leave the London Springfield Water Precinct, expressing gratitude for her colleagues and willingness to assist in training her replacement.

Discussions are ongoing regarding potential water supply projects at Colby Point, with a focus on water conservation measures and possible expansion.

The precinct is facing challenges with water conservation, particularly during summer months, and is considering measures to educate the public and manage water usage.

An investigation is underway to assess the potential for additional water extraction from Colby Point, considering existing geological data.

Discussion on the financial aspects of the Main Street project, including bond savings and borrowing strategies.

The team will begin searching for a replacement, with Rhonda's assistance in the transition.

A mediation meeting is scheduled for December 13, 2024, in regard to the Twin Pines Project.

Rip made a motion to go into nonpublic session (RSA 91-A:3, II (a) John seconded the motion. All in favor.

After 20 minutes, the commissioners left nonpublic session and Rip made a motion to seal the minutes, John seconded the motion. All in favor.

Meeting adjourned at

Respectfully submitted

Rhonda L Gauthier