Wolcott Wastewater Committee - February 17, 2026

Wolcott Town Office School St. 5:00

Zoom link: https://us06web.zoom.us/j/82942450965?pwd=lOVWv8dunvlSaZKWdBmRsb7xuycKAx.1

In Person: Linda Martin, Jim Ryan, Bruce Wheeler

On Zoom: Lynnette Claudon, Peter Lazorchak, Bradley Horstman, Forest Anderson, Tori Hellwig

- **Approve January meeting minutes (all)**

Linda motioned to approve, Bruce seconded. All in favor.

One change to the agenda – add Town Meeting outreach in "other" section.

- **Update from Stone (Peter): Update on all project permits: Act 250 Amendment, Wetlands, and Indirect Discharge Permits.**

School Board meeting in January. Board did not take any action but reviewed draft easement. Stone outlined next steps – easement needs to be signed by School, then detailed MOU could be developed for town/school relationship outlining precautions and monitoring will be in place per indirect discharge permit. Stone expecting to attend March School Board meeting to discuss further with School Board. Previous MOU still in place. New MOU would involve O&M.

Linda suggests follow up with School Board and be more firm with commitments needed – physical easement needs to be signed as soon as possible. Easements have been reviewed and approved by attorneys already, over 6 months ago. School Board needs to make a motion to approve document at February or soonest possible meeting.

Stone working on final hydrogeological report. Will go through final round of review with the state geologist and Stone's consulting hydrogeologist one more time. Once finalized, IDP Permit submitted. Goal to submit week of 2/23. School break construction start time will depend on how the permit review goes at the state level.

Act 250 Permit under staff review. Wetlands Permit was issued. VTrans 1111 permit received some comments, will address.

Working with Engineering Ventures on carrier bridge. Town attorney sent easement deed for carrier bridge today, Selectboard to review at 2/18 meeting. Carrier bridge outside VTrans ROW. School Street bridge project also underway, Stone discussing with VTrans.

SHPO review complete. DEC FONSI will come off public notice and be issued. NBRC in CC: list from DEC so NBRC should receive final approved FONSI.

Operations & Maintenance Plan will be issued after system is under construction, after exact equipment is known for the project, manuals that come with equipment are packaged as a part of construction close out documentation. Manual delivered for operators use. Formats can be based off of manual for drinking water systems.

Bid document package posting would be a goal for last week of April, minimum of 30 days. Posted through May, contractor selected in June. Confirm length of bid valid period when posting.

Don Haddox and Cindy are construction engineers. To streamline process, suggested that Town pay deposit so that drip dispersal company can order equipment sooner. Town does this with culvert projects, can do this if done prior to June. Stone and Town will discuss timing.

- **Review latest on village landowner ROWs and partial releases**

Update from Town Attorney provided via email. No response to M. Tatro, will need to reach out to Tatro's daughter. No response from Bordeau. Burgess power of attorney mailed to brother. MSI will record own easement. Stone will follow up with Tatro's daughter, Committee will follow up with the rest. Final Plans posted with draft permit. Changes can be made up until Final Plans are posted.

- **WW Grant funding update - (Tori)**

Towns first reimbursement request from ARPA was approved. Submitted second request, Lynnette and Tori will confirm receipt.

- **Other item**

Town Meeting Day / outreach (3/3). Update from Wastewater Committee will be in Town Meeting Report. Committee members all involved in other local boards/committees tabling at Town Meeting day. If table available for Wastewater,

would be poster display or handout. One pager summarizing timeline to construction (LCPC) – pair with service area of map. Other option, blank version of "game board" on Village Wastewater webpage. Front Porch Forum posting – link to Town Report.

Next meeting date – March 17