# **Approved Hudson Sewer Utility Committee Meeting Minutes**

Date of Meeting: Thursday, April 08, 2010

Attendees: William Abbott, Chair Catherine Valley - Absent Bernie Manor, Vice Chairman Don Gowdy Craig T. Bailey, Secretary Roger Coutu - Selectman's Liaison Gary Webster – Town Engineer



The regular monthly meeting of the Town of Hudson Sewer Utility Committee was held Thursday, April 08, 2010 at 5:30 pm, in the main meeting room of the Town of Hudson Town Hall. The Chairman Bill Abbott being in the chair. Secretarial duties were provided by Craig T. Bailey. The minutes of the previous meeting were read and approved with no corrections required. A motion was made by Don Gowdy to "Accept the meeting minutes for meeting dated March 3<sup>rd</sup> 2010, as presented." Seconded by Bernie Manor, the motion carried unanimously.

#### 1. Abatements and Waivers

A. No abatements or waiver requests submitted.

## 2. Reports

- A. The Treasurers' report dated 03/22/2010 was reviewed by the committee.
- B. The Expenditure Report dated 04/01/2010 was reviewed by the committee
- C. The Revenue report dated 04/01/2010 was reviewed by the committee.

#### 3. Old Business

- A. Balance of capacity unchanged at (58,058) GPD.
- B. Updated Sewer Utility Policy & Procedures Manual: The proposed update to the Policy manual was reviewed. Some discussion was had regarding the "alternative" method for users connected to the sewer system, but not connected to town water. A proposed paragraph "a" follows, and the original paragraph "a" has been struck.

"a. Where a sewer user is not connected to the town water system, a user may install an approved auxiliary meter on a well. The location of the meter installation must record all water which ultimately enters the sewer system. The meter is to be purchased by the homeowner and becomes his responsibility to maintain or replace, if needed."

The Committee further reviewed the proposed policy. Paragraph "d" was reviewed and the word "You" should be replaced by "The Sewer user..."

## 4. New Business

A. The Committee reviewed a letter from Jess Forrence, Highway Supervisor regarding the high flows due to Infiltration and Inflow, (I&I.) The recent rains have shown a spike in illegal sump pump connections. Some discussion was had regarding other municipalities such as Lowell, MA that have applied for and were awarded federal grant monies to solve a combined sewer and storm water system. Gary Webster agreed that Hudson should consider applying for some grants to improve our I&I problem.

# 5. Closing

A. Bill Abbott suggested that a thank you note should be sent to Jess Forrence, to thank him for providing the Committee a tour of the sewer system on Saturday, April 3rd. After closing comments by committee members, the meeting was adjourned at 6:24 pm.

Craig T. Bailey, PE Secretary