

**Town of Amenia
Wastewater Committee Meeting
January 12, 2009**

Attending:

Darlene Riemer, Chair
Martin Grossman
Allison Hale
Bill Flood
Bill Carroll
Janet Reagon, Secretary
Norm Cayea, Town Board
Vicki Doyle, Town Board
Wayne Euvrard, Town Supervisor

Absent:

Brad Rebillard
Tony Robustelli

Present by Invitation:

Ed Mills, DCWWA
Pete Setaro, P.E. Morris Engineers
Candace Balmer, RCAP

Darlene Riemer chaired the meeting. The minutes of December 8, 2008 were approved upon a motion by Darlene Riemer, and a second by Bill Carroll, and will be posted on the town's website.

Pete Setaro discussed a new proposed Sewer District Map and new cost estimates. Two pump stations were eliminated from the earlier plan, and the collection system will be composed of gravity piping to a central location, and then pumped to the treatment plant through a force main pipe. The force main pipe cannot have any hook-ups. Since Route 44 must be crossed at some point, he proposed that the crossing take place at the intersection of Lake Amenia Road, thus adding two additional properties to the proposed Sewer District. (These properties had been taken out of the District by the approval of the 12/08/08 Map). The new cost estimates project a savings of approximately \$2 million over the previous estimate.

After discussion, Darlene Riemer moved, and Allison Hale seconded, a motion that the 12/15/08 map of the proposed Sewer District as amended from the 12/08/08 be adopted. The motion was carried. The only difference is the inclusion of the two properties along Route 44 and Lake Amenia Road. This Map will serve as the basis for a draft Map, Plan and Report, which will be presented to the Committee at the next meeting.

Darlene Riemer discussed a letter from Kirsten Gillibrand seeking applications for money from the Infrastructure Stimulus Package proposed by the President-Elect. She noted that she and Candace Balmer responded to the letter in a timely way. While they are looking for projects that are farther along than Amenia's, our project still may meet the requirements by the time the money is allocated. Individual committee members will follow up with letters and contacts with the various Congressional aides who work on such projects. Since the score was low, it was also agreed that we should review all the criteria for selection with the aim of improving Amenia's chances. Candace Balmer will forward the e-mail address for Fred Testa, of the Clean Water State Revolving Loan Fund, to the secretary so that he may be apprised of our progress and invited to meetings. She also will look into making sure that our completed Map, Plan and Report addresses all the guidelines required by the agency.

The meeting adjourned at 6:15 p.m.

The next meeting is on **Monday, February 2, 2009 at 5:00 p.m. at the Town Hall.**

Respectfully submitted,

Janet M. Reagon, Secretary

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