

Organization Town of Champion

Board Sewer Board

Date and Time Wednesday, September 8 2004 at 5:30 PM

Place Town of Rutland Municipal Building 28411 NYS Rte 126 Rutland Center NY

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Minutes

Present: E. Berghorn, T. Buckley*(4:53), L. Longway*, D. McLallen*, K. Montigelli, P. O'Donnell*, M. Smith, R. Taylor*, and C. Vargulick (*voting representatives)
K. Amyot, J. Condino, K. Dimmick, T. Falkenburg, W. Hall, S. Harter, K. Jordan, F. Phelps, J. Scott, K. Smith, T. Stewart, C. Tuttle and K. Vebber

The NYS Route 3 Corridor Sewer/Development Board met on Wednesday September 8, 2004 at the Town of Rutland Municipal Building. Chairperson McLallen called the meeting to order at 4:39pm.

Motion by R. Taylor, seconded by P. O'Donnell to approve the minutes for July 14, 2004 as submitted. Ayes-4, Nays-0. Motion carried.

C. Tuttle distributed the monthly administrative reports and reviewed the period summary. C. Tuttle commented that delayed hookups in the Pamelia project have resulted in lower than projected revenues for the past billing quarter. S. Harter explained that the RUD loan on LeRay/Black River North project will have interest due prior to completion of the long term financing through EFC. C. Tuttle will add a line item to the financial report to reflect the expense.

C. Tuttle and T. Falkenberg discussed the operating situation at the Hoffman residence, 31626 NYS Route 3. The lateral line froze during the 2003-04 winter season resulting in significant repair costs and manhours. T. Falkenberg suggested the Board authorize one of the following remedial alternatives:

- Insulate only the problem portion of the line
- Bury the existing oversized line deeper
- Replace the oversized line with a smaller diameter line which would be buried far below the frost line. The oversized line would then be flushed but retained and utilized if necessary for site development in the future

The service is located in the Town of Rutland. D. McLallen asked if the Town has funds remaining from their recently completed water project which could be used to remediate the problem. T. Buckley informed the Board that the Town of Champion has recently opened bids for the Pine Ridge estates sewer extension and will not need to appropriate all of the Route 3 Sewer Corridor reserves approved for that construction. Approximately \$24,000 will be left unexpended by the project.

The Board discussed making the improvements through either the Town of Champion or Town of Rutland upcoming sewer capital construction projects. J. Condino recommended that the Board defer their decision pending the Town of Rutland bid opening. The Board concurred with the recommendation.

Motion by Mr. Taylor, seconded by Mr. Longway that the lateral line servicing the Hoffman residence be replaced with a smaller diameter line and that the existing line be flushed and temporarily taken out of service as recommended by Stearns & Wheeler. Ayes-5, Nays-0. Motion carried.

R. Taylor reported that the annexation of the Marble Street pump station property is still pending.

R. Taylor and T. Buckley discussed a homeowner complaint regarding a replacement tree. Two attempts have been made to establish a white clump birch at the William Larabee residence in Great Bend. Neither replacement has survived. Motion by R. Taylor, seconded by P. O'Donnell to pay the homeowner \$100 in lieu of further plantings. Ayes-5, Nays-0. Motion carried.

The Board recessed for a short break. The meeting resumed at 5:45PM.

Construction Update - LeRay/Pamelia

Phase I - Lateral construction is complete including the Renaissance Restaurant. Driveways and overlays will be completed by November.

Phase II - Construction is close to completion but pump station and related lateral connections continue to be behind schedule due to a failure by Niagara Mohawk to complete required electrical connections. The contractor has requested a time extension at no additional cost. T. Falkenburg recommended the extension but reminded the

Board that there would be a cost for additional residential inspector hours. T. Falkenberg advised that budgeted funds may be insufficient if the delays continue and asked for Board authorization to cover the shortfall prorated at a cost of approximately \$15,000/month. The Board deferred action on the matter pending communications between Supervisor Taylor and Niagara Mohawk to expedite the installation.

Design Update - Rutland-Hamlet of Felts Mills

The Town of Rutland has held their pre-bid meeting. Bids for construction of the sewer service will be opened on Tuesday, September 21, 2004 at 2:00pm.

The board secretary has forward a request to the Department of Army for a reduction in the easement fees for sewer construction. No response has been received to date.

The Board discussed the status of the Town of Rutland short term funding. In particular, funds to purchase property. The Board recommended that the Town consider a BAN.

Future Phases

K. Smith reviewed proposed design and build out initiatives. Corridor planning has become imperative in light of proposed large scale property development along the corridor. K. Smith also pointed out that an increase of 1000-1200 EDU's in Black River would be beyond the capacity of the current mains. The interested developer has inquired if the Board would share the cost of a feasibility study. Board members, by consensus, agreed that the developer should provide evidence of his serious intent by funding his own study.

Planning/Development

K. Amyot distributed and reviewed a status report for August/September. K. Smith reported that a planning model has been fast tracked by a 4-member subcommittee in the Town of Champion which will be monitored by representatives from the Town of Rutland and the Village of Black River in anticipation of modifying/replicating the model in their respective communities.

K. Jordan commented that there is significant pressure on the Corridor communities to identify development features that they do or do not want.

Other Business

D. McLallen asked for a clarification on the responsibility for lawn maintenance at the pump stations. J. Condino responded that DANC is responsible.

Motion by P. O'Donnell, seconded by L. Longway to adjourn the meeting. The meeting adjourned at 6:35PM.

The next regular meeting of the NYS Route 3 Corridor Sewer/Development Board will be held Wednesday, October 13, 2004 at the T/Pamelia Municipal Building.