

Organization Town of Champion

Board Sewer Board

Date and Time Thursday, December 18 2008 at 4:30 PM

Place Town of Leray Offices Board Room 8650 Leray St Evans Mills NY

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Minutes

Present: *Board members/voting representatives* - T. Buckley , L. Carpenter, G. Eddy and R. Taylor

Others: Att. M. Gebo, B. Perry, J. Putnam, M. Smith, C. Tuttle, and C. Vargulick

Absent: Larry Longway

The NYS Route 3 Corridor Sewer/Development Board met on Thursday, December 18, 2008 at the T/LeRay Municipal Building for a special meeting. G. Eddy called the meeting to order at 4:30pm.

C. Tuttle stated that the purpose of the meeting was to discuss a sewer connection between the facility operated by Allied Waste Industries, Inc. and the Route 3 sewer system as it pertains to T/Rutland Phase 3. Funding agencies are currently identifying "shovel ready" projects for funding through a proposed infrastructure stimulus package.

Members reviewed recommendations prepared by Attorney Gebo in regards to expanding the T/Rutland sewer district boundaries, a draft sewer service agreement, and rate structure.

C. Tuttle stated that Allied has informed them that they have no budget for capital improvements at the facility but would be interested in connecting if the service was available and, if there was a demonstrated cost savings. The engineer estimates the cost of construction at \$213,000.

Att. Gebo reviewed his recommendation in regards to district expansion stating that: district monies may not be expended outside of district boundaries; the impact on bonding; eliminating the necessity of negotiating a service contract; and maintaining ownership of the sewer infrastructure. District expansion requires the preparation of a map, plan and report, a petition from the owner of the affected property, followed by a public hearing and action by the T/Rutland Town Board. G. Eddy, T/Rutland Supervisor, voiced concerns regarding the Town's liability if Allied fails to pay for services received. Att. Gebo stated that Allied must also meet NYSDEC requirements that are presumably covered by a bond. C. Tuttle will contact NYSDEC to determine Allied's obligations and bond coverage. T. Buckley recommended that the T/Rutland proceed with the sewer district expansion. All members concurred.

Members discussed the cost of service to Allied and its impact on the blended rate. T. Buckley stated that stabilizing the blended rate would be beneficial to residential users. Motion by T. Buckley, seconded by R. Taylor to set the rate for Allied Waste Industries, Inc. at \$13.75/KG. Ayes-4, Nays-0. Motion carried.

Members reviewed the draft sewer service agreement between the T/Rutland and Allied Waste Industries, Inc and agreed to amend Section 7b to specify quarterly billing. Att. Gebo was directed to prepare a Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) detailing the obligations of the Town and Allied including, but not limited to, authorizing a map, plan and report with Allied underwriting the cost for preparation of the document and legal publication as required; agreement of the Town to apply for funding and; the rate as agreed.

C. Tuttle stated that an engineering service agreement should be drafted for T/Rutland Phase 3.

L. Carpenter questioned whether the City of Watertown will be willing to accept the additional sewer flow. C. Tuttle stated that he feasibility study prepared in 1998, prior to any construction of the NYS Route 3 Sewer System, included estimated flow data from Allied. At the time, the report was distributed to all affected parties and there were no comments of exception noted. C. Tuttle remarked that rates are currently being renegotiated between the City of Watertown and Development Authority.

Motion by T. Buckley, seconded by R. Taylor to adjourn the meeting. The meeting adjourned at 5:30pm.

The next regular meeting of the NYS Route 3 Corridor Sewer/Development Board will be held on Wednesday, January 14, 2009 at 4:30pm at the T/LeRay Municipal Building.

Christina Vargulick

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