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NVC Utilities Committee Meeting April 9, 2004 Community Hall

Present: Crofoot, Fleming, R. Brockway, John Fancy, Bill Paige. Also Marge Brockway

- 1. The minutes of the March meeting were approved. Vote 3 in favor
- 2. Monthly financial reports of Water and Wastewater are not yet available; they will be ready before the Overseers' meeting.
- 3. Infrastructure Project ("Phase I"):

Lynch Construction is due to resume work in mid-April, weather permitting. Remaining work is the final paving of Broadway, paving and drainage work along Sea Street, and final clean-up. Punch list will not be set up until the project is close to substantial completion.

4. Deep water-line project to Shore Rd. and Bluff Rd. ("Phase II")

Sargent & Sargent will start work on Bluff Road in mid-April. Along Shore Road, multiple seasonal connections to the new deep line remain to be completed as well as final clean-up. Funding for the second half of this project is mostly from CDBG. A **CDBG mandated public hearing** with input from both the Village and the Town of Northport will be set up in early May (May 7 at 7 p.m. if OK with Town representatives.) to allow citizens affected by this project to have information about the project and to be able to voice any concerns. This meeting will be **duly advertised** in the newspaper, at Town Hall, and on the bulletin boards.

5. DEP Compliance

Two flow meters are currently measuring flows at different locations. Recent rainstorms should give good feedback on improvements accomplished or yet-to-accomplish after the Phase I project. Peak flows at the treatment plant during heavy rainfall were 80,000 gal/day, down from flows as high as 200,000/day. Yet there was substantial flow at the Shore Road pump station of 15,000 gal/day indicating that there is still heavy I& I, even after replacement of collector pipe. I& I may be from old private pipes beneath houses and across private property. Further investigation is needed.

Woodward & Curran will incorporate the flow data into their Stage II report for DEP in September.

A letter to DEP is due by June 1, to detail our ongoing search for funding for replacement of the Wastewater Treatment Plant. Income survey, now almost complete, will determine whether Rural Development will participate with grant money or not.

The outfall pipe will be inspected in May. Mr. Fancy is contracting with Aquatech of Warren, ME for this.

We had a flow violation in January and a 2 lb. BOD poundage excess violation.

There were flow violations during the March rains. April data is not yet available.

- 6. The study by UMO students on alternatives for wastewater treatment will be presented at the Community Hall on Sunday, April 25, 2004 at 3 p.m.
- 7. The \$318,000 interim financing loan for Phase I will come due this month. This loan will be renewed for six months in order to offset the payments into the fall. Interest cost is \$2,349.82 plus costs to bond lawyer. Overseers must sign off on this at their next meeting.

8. Utility Department

Those parts of the ordinance, which must be presented to the voters at the Annual Meeting, are in the hands of the Overseers and should be reviewed prior to the April 18 meeting so they can be discussed and approved.

8. Utility Department Secretary

John Fancy interviewed several applicants and has offered the post to a person with good accounting skills and background. It is likely she will work one full 8-hour day a week on Tuesdays. The committee stressed the need to get the May billing out on time, and the need to set up a system of accountability to be sure that tasks are accomplished in a timely and businesslike manner.

Respectfully submitted,

David D. Crofoot, Chairman