

Town of Milton
Water Committee Meeting
Minutes
September 7, 2016

Approved 11/9/2016

The chairman of the Water Committee John Bushey called the monthly meeting of the Milton Water Committee meeting to order in the Milton Library (Green Room), 121 Union Street, Milton, De. at 2:00 P.M

Roll Call was taken with the following members present: John Bushey, Dan Wellbourn, Greg Wingo, Sam Garde, P.D. Camenisch, and Michael Cote.

In Attendance: Carlton Savage engineer from Pennoni @ Associates, Mayor Kanakos and Kristy Rogers (Town Clerk)

Additions or corrections to the Agenda for the 9/7/16 meeting. There were none.

Approval of Agenda. A motion was made by Sam Garde and seconded by Dan Wellbourn to accept the agenda as presented. Motion so carried.

Approval of Minutes – July 13, 2016. A motion was made by Sam Garde and seconded by PD Camenisch to make the corrections in the prior meeting minutes. Motion so carried.

Old Business:

- a.) Follow up on status of mapping system.

Mr. Savage reported that Pennoni and the Town's Public Works Department personnel had completed their surveys of the water infrastructure and that Pennoni was now in the phase of incorporating all of the survey data into their Computer Aided Design Drafting (CADD) system. He opined that the CADD phase would be completed by mid-September. The next phase would be uploading the CADD information into the mapping program, and he opined that would be completed by the end of the year, at which time it will be turned over to the town of modeling "what-if" scenarios. These scenarios can then be used to project the results of various happenings, such as: growth, equipment, replacements, and expansion.

The Water Committee will be involved in Model review prior to town acceptance.

This modeling effort overlaps the current effort in solidifying and recommending a new well site. It was agreed upon by the Committee to continue with the current mapping program and once we have a model we can drive a realistic assessment of potential additions to the system, and move forward.

b.) Emergency water shut-off contingency plan.

Mr. Wingo informed that the PWD exercised the valves periodically. In discussing the episode at Dogfish Head, it was re-counted that:

DFH had covered the valves on the side of the new facility when they were building a berm to help control potential future leaks from above-grade piping.

The existing schematic map of the system is satisfactory, though incomplete, for identifying significant valves that be operated in future emergencies.

Inspections by PWD personnel remain critical.

New Business:

a.) Recommendation to Council on well and budget appropriations.

The subject was discussed at length, with the following highlights:

The citizens of Milton need to understand that a new well is necessary, and that there was no way to accurately estimate the cost at this time, for inclusion in the Town Budget.

Justification for the new well was initially identified as:

A: Elimination of a current well in the Flood Plain.

B: To increase capacity to ensure town can continue to meet the needs of the Community, including firefighting requirements.

C: Disaster Planning

D: To insure safe drinking water

Mr. Garde made a motion that a line item in the draft budget for water system planning be increased from \$20,000.00 to \$50,000.00. Mr. Camenisch seconded. The motion was unanimously approved.

The Committee agreed to continue with current activities to both proceed with well recommendation and any appropriate land acquisition required.

Jack Bushey asked the question if there is a check list for what has to be completed at each step in the process of putting in a new well.

Greg Wing & Carlton Savage both stated that they would get a format with suggestion to Jack Bushey prior to the next meeting.

Discussion about if robot call should be done in the event of emergencies issues in town.

A motion was made Michael Cote and Seconded by P.D. Camenisch to adjourn the meeting at 4:20 P.M. Motion so carried.

Respectfully Submitted,
Dan Wellbourn, Recording Secretary