

Belfair Sewer Committee

Meeting Minutes

October 10, 2013

Present:

County Commissioner: Randy Neatherlin.

Staff: Tom Moore, Brian Matthews, Barbara Adkins

Members: Chair, Jack Johnson, Vice Chair, Jennifer Hines,

Secretary Judy Scott, Bob Harris, Lee Swoboda, Greg Waggett, Rob Drexler

Absent members. Ed Kruk

Guest: Jeff Carey

Announcements

Meeting was called to order by Chair Jack Johnson at 4:00 PM

Location at Port of Allyn building in Allyn WA.

Roll call was taken: See above for information

Minutes were approved: Rob Drexler moved. Jennifer Hines seconded. With corrections of removing the term “moratorium” to” building restriction”

Agenda: Jennifer Hines moved, Greg Waggett seconded, Agenda approved with addition of 5 A of “by-laws” discussion.

Hand-outs that were distributed: Agenda (Jack), minutes from Sept 29th (Judy) By-laws template (Randy), Facility Plan Supplemental Information Treatment Alternative 2 2007 (Jack), ERU numbers and Phases(Jack).

Next meeting:

October 31st, 4:00 PM At the Port of Allyn Building

Discussion

Topic of discussion: Meeting times and notices were discussed hence, Tom Moore brought up that we need by-laws to help with clarification for duties and meeting times. Tom said he would get a copy of by-laws template, however, Randy brought in a template for discussion. We will discuss by-laws in the next meeting. It was brought to the attention of the board that we need two more members to the committee.

The resolution was a good copy of our mission statement. Greg read the resolution #14-13 (March 19-2013). To the committee.

It is a one year commitment. It was recognized that we need open public meeting regulation training and public records training. Tom will get see about trainings started.

Sewer Financing Randy said it will come to the commissioners, but still has to go to DOE. He is still working on the proposal.

Topic of discussion: Building restriction: Barb Adkins will explain RCW 36.70.A.110 Paragraph 3. Quote: "UGA should be in relation to "urban services" It should be located in an area already served." As according to 36.70.A.350

Yet in the Hearing Board order RCW 36.70.A.110 is quoted and says it requires services be provided.

There was discussion and scenarios proposed about allowing building and bringing shorter term septic designed for sewers and strongly work toward getting sewers in.

Tom said the proposal that the committee made to the NMPAC may be illegal (that the mandatory hook-up not be required).

Jack handed out the ERU numbers that he had counted and gallons per day and his concerns about how the UGA is so large it seemed to him to not be feasible to continue to phase in the sewers. Designing Phase 2 and part of phase 1 will cause Mason County to go deeper in debt. It was discussed about why the mandatory hook-ups may be required just because the amount of usage is necessary to work the sewer system.

Rob brought up about the area of UGA's are a certain amount of area that was allowed and Jeff mentioned that UGA boundaries are an allocation of population. Shelton is considering enlarging their area and could possibly affect Belfair UGA. There was discussion about resizing the Belfair UGA. Reducing the size or rezoning.

O & M report: Jack handed out the Facility plan Supplemental information for the estimated O & M cost from 2007 from Maury-Smith. There was some explanation from Tom in regard to the estimates from them. There were soil issues and an added pump station and spray fields that changed costs. Jack reported that the O & M committee has not been able meet.

NMHS Connection: There was a question of who the architect was; Harris McGovern is the architect for NMHS and there was no report.

ULID : No other information reported except Jack said perhaps a 'special benefit tax' would be more appropriate. It is clear by RCW that the SBT can be enacted by commissioners without vote. However, the committee was very concerned that it is necessary for community "by in".

CH2M Hill: Tabled...

Requested information from Mason County: We ran out of time. Staff came prepared with clarification of project costs and O & M costs. A question was raised about the grant versus loan amounts. Tom said it was 84.5% principal (then forgive it) and the remainder is a loan. Jack had heard

about sustainability grants. Tom said you have to do everything possible before they will even “look at you” to qualify.

Meeting adjourned at 5:40 PM

Respectfully submitted,

Judy Scott