

West Acton Sewer Action Advisory Committee
December 20, 2018, 7:00 p.m.
Acton Town Hall, Room 204

Minutes

Present: Committee members Janet Adachi, Chairman; Ann Chang, Joanne Bissetta, Peter Henry, Garry McCarthy, Samuel Rice, Dave Wellinghoff; Town Engineer Paul Campbell; Joseph Shea, Senior V.P., Woodard & Curran; Jack Troidl, Project Manager, Woodard & Curran

Absent: Committee members Jon Cappetta, J. D. Head

Visitors: Terra Friedrichs, Mike Geiss, Kurt Marden

Chairman called meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.

Final approval of 5/10/2018 and 7/12/2018 minutes postponed until next meeting to allow additional input from members.

Discussion of AB building project: J.D. Head provided an update on November 8 to a sub-quorum of members, including about alternative possible building configurations at the Gates, Douglas and Conant sites. Recent public meeting about building project provided no technical or financial information related to the proposed wastewater management. One financial consideration for AB where on-site treatment is concerned is that it is ineligible for MSBA reimbursement beyond the 8% limitation applicable to site-related costs.

Discussion of Town's proposed FY20 request at 2019 Annual Town Meeting for survey/feasibility funds for potential West Acton sewer expansion, and tentative timeline for project, with potential request for design funds in 12/1919 and construction funds in 4/2020. Sewer expansion could move forward even if AB building project were to fail, though could require two alternative presentations. Town would apply during summer for state revolving funds in 2020.

Ms. Friedrichs opined that there is no need for sewerage in West Acton. Mr. Mardens asked that documents discussed tonight be on Town website. Mr. Geiss opined that sewerage can be convenient but later prove not to be.

Adjournment at 8:10 p.m.

- Janet Adachi, clerk for meeting

Documents Discussed

- AB School Project:

1. Maps showing alternative building layouts on Douglas, Gates and Conant sites (15 pp)
2. Arrowstreet project schedule (1 p)
3. AB School Building Working Group, 10/4/18 - West Acton Sewer Information (4 pp)

- West Acton Sewer Project:

1. Project Timeline (tentative)
2. Graph: T5 Estimated Flows vs Actual Flows