

Sewer and Water Committee Meeting Minutes 09/22/2014

Where: Township Office – 47240 Green Acres Road, Houghton, MI

When: 4:00 P.M.

Who Present: Andrew Kemper, Peggy Anderson, Bruce Petersen

Discussion Points:

- Questionnaire/Survey mailer for green Acres Road was discussed. It was decided to send the survey out and have it returned to the office by the upcoming Board Meeting. After Supervisor formulates the survey questioning continued interest for sewer on Green Acres Road, both Ander and Peggy will review prior to sending it out. A self-addressed/stamped envelop will be included.
- The TWP needs to amend/update its' water/sewer hookup charges. If outside contractual engineering services are needed by the TWP to review a sewer/Water hookup for a commercial interest, that assistance can be very costly. After much discussion, reviewing our material & labor costs and comparing other units of government rates it was decided to recommend to the Board that our rates be set at: \$1,200 for a residential hookup and \$1,500 for a commercial hookup.
- The time frame allowed to fix a private lateral line located prior to the water meter was discussed next. Once a leak is known to exist the TWP would give the landowner 3 months or 90 days during the building season which is defined as May 1 thru October 30th to fix the leak on his/her privately owned line.
- Discussed UPPCO offer that was originally tendered shortly after the manhole was displaced by a private contractor allowing a lot of snow melt infiltration in to our system. It was decided to accept that initial offer in lieu for dropping any sort of legal proceedings against UPPCO/Contractor.
- Reported on the small claims court proceedings instigated against a party that had an outstanding sewer/water bill of \$740.00. We won in 97th court and he has one month to come in and set up a payment schedule or pay us in full plus court costs.

Adjourned by Peggy at 4:40 PM.

Respectfully Submitted:

Bruce Petersen
Township Supervisor