

Sewer and Water Committee Meeting Minutes 06/20/2017

Where: Township Office – 47240 Green Acres Road, Houghton, MI 49931

When: 10:00 A.M.

Who Present: Bill Bingham, Peggy Anderson and Bruce Petersen

Public Present: None

Discussion Points:

- Jeff Koski – “new water/sewer” hookup charges of \$2,400.00 was being contested. The original home has not been lived in for a number of years and had the water meter removed. The Committee thought that the new house was built over the older homes footprint, the existing water and sewer lines were all ready in place so this billing was not a conventional “new” home hook up that had no previously existing facilities. SO: The bill was to be modified to evidence a \$175.00 new meter charge and a \$50.00 turn on charge totaling \$225.00.
- Old Range Bank billing was discussed next. The billing for June was \$428.19 + \$717.50 for the sewer portion. The old bank had no occupants in it over the course of the month of June and Jamey Markham was contesting the size of the bill. What has seemingly occurred is that the new grass/shrubs around the new bank were irrigated from a hose bid located at the old bank thus constituting the 6,870 gallons of usage. The committee did not defer the consumptive use which was \$428.19 but eliminated the sewer charges which were based on the consumptive use. Historically, over the past 5 months the sewer charges have been approximately \$40.00. SO: \$428.19 + \$40.00 would come to a total of \$468.19 for the updated June billing.
- Reviewed the two automated water meter quotes gotten from Ferguson (Neptune Meters) and HD Supply (Sensus Meters). Ferguson quoted a 400 meter installation and HD Supply quoted a 500 meter purchase. When you added 100 meters to the Ferguson quote they had the lowest quote. These prices will be presented to the full-Board at their July meeting.
- The water/sewer line extension down White Pine Lane was discussed again. It would entail a 200’ run from the 8”dia. waterline stub that exists nw. A 6”dia. line would be minimally required because of the need to supply fire protection and the siting of one hydrant. The line goes down a private street with facility easements and it can be built using a PVS line with ductile steel fittings according to the DPW staff. The Committee will present these findings and defer any decisions to Mondays – Special Meeting of the Bd. Of Trustees.

There were no public comments – none present.

First – Peggy and 2nd Bill - Adjourned at 10:42 A.M.

Respectfully Submitted:

Bruce Petersen
Township Supervisor