

Mountain Lakes District Water Committee Report for June 2014

This report covers the monthly meeting of 6/5/14.

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This was the June Water Committee Meeting. It was held from 7:30 AM to 8:33 AM on 6/5/14. Attendees: Don Drew – Water Department, Robert Roudebush, Peter Olander and Ken King. Tony Salvucci was on the phone.

We approved the Water Committee Report for May, 2014.

Water System Status

The system is running well. We are using 20 to 25 thousand gallons per day. There was one leak in a home, a curbside repair, and a low pressure issue in a home but no leaks in the distribution system.

Jim Vernon from Nobis Engineering

The main part of the meeting was a continuation of the discussion on the revised Proposal for Water Supply Services submitted by Jim Vernon. The question was should we proceed with Phase 1 at an estimated cost of \$7,100. Phase 1 looks at maps and tries to come up with possible sites. However, you do not really know if there is water in any area until Phase 2 drills test wells. The total cost of one gravel-packed production well is about \$60,000.

Don had used the Haverhill GIS system to locate possible sites for a well within the USGS stratified aquifer map. He was able to locate 2 or 3 possible sites.

The committee discussed how to proceed and passed a Recommendation to the Commissioners that Mountain Lakes proceed with Phase 1 of this project. This will require a payment of a retainer of \$3,550.00 prior to any work. We will then arrange a time to work with Jim Vernon to examine the possible sites determined by Don.

The Mountain Lakes Water Tariff

We continued our discussion on the Water Tariff, especially how to deal with new installations. Our conclusion was to recommend that the price for a new install be increased to \$1500 but that will now include the connection to our main and the curb stop valve. The work will be done by us or by a plumber of our choice. At the next meeting we will continue our review of the Tariff.

Dubois & King presentation at the July 12th Commissioner's Meeting

We had previously arranged to have someone from D&K to be at the Commissioner's Saturday meeting on July 12th to talk about the project to rebuild the outlet for the lower lake dam in 2015. We want D&K to submit a draft of that presentation to us by the end of June and have Shawn Patenaude on the phone for our July 3rd meeting.

Ed will still be on the Water Committee but is unable to attend the meetings due to his new full-time job. Ken ran this meeting. We will discuss what to do in this area at our next meeting on July 3rd.