Londonderry Utilities Committee Meeting Minutes
Tuesday, January 06, 7:00 p.m., Moose Hill Council Chambers

Committee Members Present:
Paul Ramsey, Anne Fenn, John Ferreira, Martha Smith, Mike Speltz and John Mahon
Alternate Members: Ray Breslin
Administrative Support Coordinator: Kirsten Hildonen
Director of Public Works: James Danis
Town Council Liaison: Ron Dunn

I. Call to Order.
   a. The meeting was called to order at 7:00 PM by committee chairman Martha Smith.
   b. Pledge of Allegiance

II. Public Comment
   None at this time.

III. Town Staff Updates
   a. Kirsten, mentioned DES meeting in Concord and committee and staff attendance.
   b. In process in getting approval for monies from High Range road Grant.
   c. January 28th is a set date with the high school for the Water Town Hall Meeting.
   d. Working on streets identified for special assessment. Updates on this at the next Water Committee meeting.
   e. Addressed the concern of assessed value of house appraisal regarding water connection. Assessment value does not change assessed value with a house.
   f. Jeff asked is there a 'connection fee' from Pennichuck? Manchester Water does charge a $1300 fee.
   g. Mike asked James Danis on any status from the airport of using FAA land for a solar farm? James mentioned at this time there has not been a response.
   h. John M., asked the deadline for submission of Strategic Plan input. Kirsten, a one month pause for our committee for now. Upcoming public hearings planned for the next two months, and then in April for council approval.

IV. Administrative board work.
   a. Approval of the December 2025 minutes. Motion made by Mike and seconded by John M. All approved with some abstentions.

i. John F., mentioned that downloads were fixed by Drew and are available.

b. Master Plan Update

Martha, no updates at this time. All comments from the community meetings were condensed. Condensed feedback to be reviewed at the end of the month.

V. Sub committees

1. Energy
   a) Paul, Freedom Energy met with the town council and gave a status and update with possible favorable market conditions for an April implementation.
   b) Mike, working with Lynn with a more rigorous GIS assessment for more favorable solar installations. Open discussion on possible locations.
   c) Mike reported that he and Lynn visited the Derry solar facility. Derry was very helpful and is very willing to assist.

2. Water
   a) Jeff, Thanked Ray and Kirsten for all the planning work they have done for the upcoming '*Water Town Hall Meeting*' planned for 28-January.
   b) Plans to advertise this event. Special 'content event review planning meeting' ASAP, Thursday in Sunnycrest at 5:00pm.
   c) Anne mentioned that Mindy Messmer to talk about PFAS and PFOA on 7-March at the Leach Library.
   d) Jeff, upcoming Special Assessment District outreach will be our next task. Committee discussion on order of tasks. Kirsten explain sequence of signatures, elections and if funding is approved the ability to move forward.
   e) Mike asked Anne about her research in the water quality with Pennichuck and if she is also checking on Manchester Water data. Anne confirmed that she is.

3. Sewer/Solid Waste
   a) John Mahon, composting is being looked at as a three tired approach. Possible subside for home composting.
   b) One company is doing residential compost pickup. Done every other week at this time.
   c) "Better Bins" application to recycle correctly and better. Ability to scan QR code on package for proper disposal. Application has the ability to recognize new packaging and return updated results.
   d) Subject of dog waste with 3600 licensed dog's within the town. Gave data points regarding this waste. Approached Sherry Ferrell on getting a brochure with a part of a mailing or given out at the time of dog registration.
   e) James, that public outreach is critical on MS4 data storm water reporting requirements.

4. Cable/Internet

   John F., status of researching specific problems and opportunity for additional offerings.

VI. Round table discussion

a. Ray, mentioned high school students to be involved with our 'water' plans and education. Working with high school vice principal.

b. John M., beautify Londonderry did get HS students involved, but were informed that they could not be committee members. Looking for a way to add a position to our committees and a way of involvement and also HS accreditation. Ron Dunn to look into this possibility.

VII. Public Comment
None at this time.

VIII. Next Meeting- Tuesday 3-February, 7:00 pm Moose Hill Conference room.

IX. Adjournment
Motion made by Paul and seconded by Anne.
Motion passed.

Meeting adjourned at approximately 8:04 pm.

Respectively Submitted,
John Ferreira - Secretary