

Moose Hill Water Commission Meeting Minutes

Minutes of January 2, 2018

Members present: Kurt Parliment, Chair; Harry Brooks, Carl Wicklund, Jr.

In Attendance: Peter Swanson, David Genereux, Town Administrator; Michael Knox,
Greg Buteau

Meeting called to order at 5:37PM

New Business

Reservoir

Mr. Parliment opened with questions on how to promote Moose Hill Reservoir.

He asked for ideas how the Commissioners can sell something, in spite of all their effort, DEP might never approve.

He explained that Mr. Swanson agreed to help put together a marketing initiative to educate and promote the need for Moose Hill Reservoir, to the Town.

All agreed the main point of concern was the Town having available water to support industry. Mr. Parliment questioned the cost effectiveness sending water out of Town for treatment, instead of building a new filtration plant. After some discussion, all agreed it would not be cost effective.

Mr. Brooks noted the last Economic Development Committee meeting, members discussed the 2008 DEP report mentioning a drawdown of the reservoir to see how fast it refilled.

After discussion, all agreed a drawdown of the reservoir was a waste of the Town's money and would delay action on the development of Moose Hill further. However, the question remains on how to attract customers if it's not known on how fast the reservoir recovers.

A big concern was regarding the false information heard on the Town's ability to service a commercial build-out.

Another concern was the Town having no comprehensive plan, or goals & objectives in place.

The Commissioners agreed the documentary has to give a visual sensation and provide an informational program on the direction the Town of Leicester wants to go and show the need to upgrade the Town's infrastructure. It also needs to incorporate the information from the WPI's study done on consolidating the Town of Leicester's Water/Sewer District and include information from the Town's Master plan, where it states the need for infrastructure on attracting businesses to Town.

The documentary also needs to show direction and a conclusion plan on how Moose Hill will alleviate the Town's water issues; attract industry to the Town and help repair the water district's existing systems to allow for economic growth.

Mr. Buteau agreed to try locating a copy of Moose Hill Reservoir Registered Plot Plan.
Mr. Brooks and Mr. Genereux agreed researching for grants on preliminary engineering work.

Next Meeting

2/13/2018 @ 5:30PM

Approval of Minutes

12/5/2017

Tabled

Hearing no further discussion, Mr. Parliment asked for a motion to adjourn.

MOTION: Mr. Brooks moved to adjourn meeting

SECONDED: Mr. Wicklund – Discussion: None – VOTE: All in Favor

Meeting adjourned at 6:35PM

Respectfully submitted:

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