Town of New Hartford Asset Evaluation Team

October 5, 2016

Minutes

Present: Dan Jerram, Chairman, Denton (Bud) Butler, Tom Hart, Joe Toro

Chairman Jerram called the meeting to order at 5:10 PM.

MOTION: by Butler to approve the minutes dated July 12, 2016 as presented; seconded by Hart.

Unanimous.

MOTION: by Butler to approve the minutes dated September 20, 2016 as presented; seconded by Hart.

Unanimous.

Discussion and Review of Public Informational Meeting:

The committee felt that the public informational meeting held on September 29 was a positive meeting. The meeting provided an opportunity for good conversation, clarification of information and a chance to ask questions.

Tom Hart stated that he did not hear anyone speak against having the entire town share in the costs of the water and sewer systems; and added that he felt that could be indicative of the position that local control of the water supply may override objections to sharing in the cost. Mr. Jerram countered that and stated that he didn't feel there was enough input provided on that topic to draw that conclusion.

Three areas of concern that were raised at the informational meeting were the following: Assumption of the debt – can this debt transferred?

Rights of way and access - Would rights of way automatically be transferred to a new owner, providing access to areas that the town now has access to or would there need to be a formal transfer of those areas?

Are there any deed restrictions currently in place that need to be considered? More specifically, were there any restrictions of sale included within the approval of the transfer of assets between the Village Water Company and the New Hartford Water Company when that merge occurred years ago?

Dan will follow up with the town attorney regarding these questions.

The Committee continued their review of the RFP language and made some minor language/grammatical changes.

MOTION: by Toro to adjourn at 6:05 PM; seconded by Butler.

Unanimous

Respectfully Submitted, Christine Hayward, Administrative Assistant