

Windham Economic Development Committee
Infrastructure Sub-Committee
Meeting Minutes, May 4, 2016

APPROVED

PRESENT: Mike Oldenburg, Gary Garfield, Lisa Walker and Ralph Valentine

Call to order at the Windham Comm. Dev. Dept. at 7:34 AM.

Per John Boisvert, the water line extension to Routes 111 and 128 is expected to be completed this year, including turning the corner and heading east about 600 +/- feet to Braemar Woods.

The DES study is a 2-pronged, and will include studying an extension from west Windham to Exit 3 and further on to Salem. That study is expected as soon as late May, early June. The results of that study will provide a basis for the MtBERB (MtBE Remediation Bureau) to determine what amount of MtBE funds could be used towards the cost of the water line.

Eversource will be giving the EDC an update on May 13, 2016 on capital improvements being made in Windham.

Ralph has been in contact with Mark Kovacs of Local Energy Committee (LEC) re: the May 24 PUC hearing re: Liberty Utilities application to extend natural gas into Windham in the Route 128 area. Ralph will attend the Energy Committee meeting tonight (May 4) to bring a message that this sub-committee would like to work closely with the LEC about the current application and about bringing gas all the way to Exit 3. FYI the gas and water lines cannot co-locate in the same trench.

Mike presented an update on MtBE issues at Exit 3. He presented a map of contaminated wells and a short DES summary. Three areas are noted as having some wells operating under Groundwater Management Permits, which require periodic sampling by the DES, at DES expense. Those 3 areas are Industrial Drive, the Range Rd/Indian Rock Rd intersection and the north end of Cobbetts Pond. Ralph suggested an article about MtBE at exit 3 be prepared and submitted to EDC for approval for publication. Ralph will prepare a draft.

Meeting minutes for April 13 will be taken up at the next meeting.

Next meeting is scheduled for May 25, 2016 at 7:30 AM.

Motion to adjourn at 8:15 AM by Lisa, second by Mike, motion passed 4-0-0.

Ralph Valentine