

December 11, 2014

A Public Hearing was held to allow the public to comment on the new proposed water storage tank project and SEQR review was held at the Town Hall Board Room December 11, 2014 at 6:45 p.m. The Public Hearing was called to order by Supervisor Jeffrey Hart.

Present were: Supervisor Jeffrey Hart, Councilperson Roy Trask, Councilperson Joanne James, Councilperson Christine Laughlin and Councilperson Casey Powers. Also present: Atty. Hooks, Andy Sciarabba from TG Miller, PC Engineers and Surveyors and 29 attendees.

Mr. Sciarabba explained that the Trumbull Corner Road Water Storage Tank is a 200 thousand gallon welded steel tank that had been built in 1960's, that has lived past its useful lifetime. He then added the benefit of having a sister tank built on Van Kirk Road along with the replacement of the Trumbull Corner Road tank. The new tanks would store 150 thousand gallons each. There would be better pressure feeding in two different directions. If there was ever a problem with one of the tanks, the sister tank could be used without the pump burning out from running constantly. Mr. Sciarabba stated that the project is estimated at 1.2 million dollars. Financing for the project will be 30 years with a 5% fixed interest, debt service payments have been calculated to be 80.00 for single family units within the water district annually for the duration of the loan. Grant programs will be sought first.

Comments:

Randy Brown: asked why Van Kirk Road had been chosen, if adjoining property owners on Van Kirk Road had been notified and if the water district was expanding or if a variance could be granted for property owners near the proposed site who are not within the water district.

Brian McIlroy: asked if the property owner payment could be added to the quarterly water bill rather than on a tax bill. Mr. McIlroy also commented that he questioned the EDU calculation formula assessment as he has a 4 unit building that uses slightly over what a single family home uses.

Brenda Lapp: compared the County EDU calculation for solid waste similar to the EDU calculation for the bond payment.

John Petito: asked if the water district was going to be expanded.

There being no further comment from the public, Supervisor Hart called the Public Hearing for proposed water storage tank project to a close at 7:00 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,

December 15, 2014

Karen Miller Kenerson
Newfield Town Clerk

