

Minutes of the May 3<sup>rd</sup> , 2013 Water Commissioners' Meeting

Present: Marcia Graham, Bill Downey Rene Labranche

The lead and copper reports were discussed for Mittersill. Franconia passed the latest round. One more round of testing will confirm all is ok. Rene will look at the time frame and be sure we stay compliant.

Rene handed out a packet of information for each Commissioner.

The alternative approaches for Mittersill were discussed. The preliminary engineering report identified a number of projects. The engineering report is usually good for 5-7 years. Report included two key aspects, distribution and water supply/storage.

The Big tank at Mittersill is in good condition. It is currently hard to estimate the tank pressure and the tank level.

Plenty of water is available as far as sources go. The booster station and the wells on the slopes have an action plan which is being allowed over a period of time with DES. A hard look will need to be taken at the new location of the building. This will determine the type of booster tank and intermediate tank.

Rene discussed the cost of \$438,000 and how this cost can be lowered. He presented a chart that estimates a high/low price. This is a project that should be put out to bid for several reasons.

Rene's alternative A is for a high lift pump. Alternative B is for a tank booster station approach. This is the most cost effective approach. Costs for both of these items were discussed. Public bidding versus bid by invitation was also discussed.

Rene discussed the importance of contractor insurance levels as well as the ability to provide a bond. Any project over \$35,000 or more require by law to have a payment bond.

This part of the Mittersill project is part of a much larger project with DES and we have come up with an action plan and can have all items corrected or improved over a period of 10 years or so.

The meeting was adjourned at 2:30pm.

Respectfully submitted, Suzanne MacDonald, Secretary to the Water Department.