

October 28, 2015 Meeting Minutes

Orleans Board of Selectmen approved December 16, 2015

Eastham Board of Selectmen approved January 6, 2016

A Joint meeting of the Orleans, Brewster and Eastham Boards of Selectmen was held on Wednesday, October 28, 2015 in the Nauset Room of the Orleans Town Hall. Present were Chairman Alan McClennen, Vice-Chairman Sims McGrath, Jr., Selectman John Hodgson III, Selectman David Dunford, Clerk Jon R. Fuller and Town Administrator John Kelly. Also present were Brewster Town Administrator Charles Sumner and Board members Chairman Ben DeRuyter and Selectman James Foley and Eastham Town Administrator Sheila Vanderhoef and Board members Chairman Elizabeth Gawron, Vice-Chair John Knight, Selectmen Wallace Adams, William O'Shea and Linda Burt, Clerk.

At 6:30pm, Chairman McClennon called the meeting to order. The Boards will be sitting as the Orleans Brewster Eastham Groundwater Protection District. The Eastham Board of Selectmen called their meeting to order. The Brewster Board of Selectmen did not have a quorum present.

The Boards last met on April 16, 2015. Each Town was requested to allocate money at Town Meeting to contribute to the operation of the Tri-Town Plant, which a qualified and long term staff has maintained and operated for over 25 years, it treats about 10 million gallons in septage a year and generates \$1 million a year in cash flow. It operates on a discharge permit for 260 days of the year. The permit is set to expire on December 31, 2016. The 2 towns extended the IMA to be consistent with that permit. The plant, publically owned and operated, provides a discharge point for private haulers, Dennis to Provincetown. Spent time was spent estimating future volumes which are expected to decline due to sewerage in other towns. Orleans and the Outer Cape towns will have significant needs for septage treatment. There is an understanding of the range of costs for continuing operation of the plant.

Mr. Dominica began with a review of the overall program, including current standing. After RFQ and RFP were submitted, AECOM was the selected firm. Initial engineering tasks have been completed. Regarding the Orleans Water Quality Plan, the meeting scheduled for Nov.18 2015 has been rescheduled for Dec. 2, 2015. Potential disposal sites have been investigated. Orleans requested from DOT to use northern lobe of exit 12 for testing as a potential site, was denied. Appealing denial, Testing will proceed on Hubler property. Drilling to begin this fall. SENE Estuaries Program fund request was accepted, site visit coming next week. EPA will be funding their hydro-geo studies for the 2nd site in Orleans. A schedule from AECOM with deliverables for the next 6 months or so will be available soon.

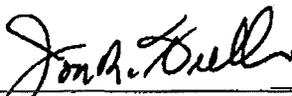
Mr. Kelly provided an estimated timeline including costs depending on what the Boards may decide to do in regards to the plant and its operation and decommissioning. The Boards discussed at length options and possibilities. Each Board is to meet independently to form a decision and be ready to present it when the Orleans Brewster Eastham Groundwater Protection District meets again, February at the latest.

Chairman McClennen acknowledges the service of the retiring Brewster Town Administrator Charles Sumner who held the position for more than 30 years.

Adjourn

Mr. Hodgson moved to adjourn at 8:03PM, 2nd by Mr. Fuller and approved 5-0.

Respectfully Submitted,
Caitlin Slowik



Jon R. Fuller, Clerk