



## **Council Committee Notes - Water/Sewer**

**Date:** October 12, 2010 **Time:** 9:30 AM **Location:** Town Hall **Chair:** Councilmember John Smith  
**Attendees:** Council member Smith, Mayor Raymond Booth, Town Manager Tom Saunders, WWTP Chief Operator Pat Chenoweth, Field Utilities Superintendent James Seagle, Bill Rosenbaum – Progress Engineers

**Visitors:** none

### **Notes on Discussions:**

1. TM Saunders reported that DEQ approves, in general, of allowing shallow (<200') wells in town for private irrigation use. VDH (Health Dept.) has concerns about potential cross connection risks and will be sending some comments and guidelines soon. There was some discussion about what effect this change in the Town's code would have on water system revenue.
2. Next phase of the MBR project – water and sewer lines bids have been received. Low bidder was Franklin Mechanical at \$652K. The committee agreed to recommend that Council award bid as appropriate at the October meeting.
3. Mr. Rosenbaum reported that the contractor (J. Sanders Co.) has begun clearing and site preparation at the Mary Ball Road/Grace Hill sewer pump station site.
4. The Committee was advised:
  - a. Mr. Rosenbaum and Ms. Chenoweth continue their efforts to have cyanide and hydrogen sulfide limits removed from the Town's VPDES permit.
  - b. Water line and sidewalk repairs at E. Church and Dixie have been completed.
  - c. There has been another line break & repair to the Wiggins Ave. force main.
  - d. Power failure during Sept. 30/Oct.1 storms caused repeated high level alarms at WWTP but no overflow or interruption of service.
  - e. The Mercer Place water line extension plans are nearly complete, pending some survey work for easements.
  - f. The Church Street water tank maintenance and painting are underway.

### **Recommendations to Council:**

Award contract for Mary Ball Road water and sewer line extension to low bidder, Franklin Mechanical Corp. of Kilmarnock, for \$652,000.

### **Recommended for further study:**

VDH regulations regarding private wells next to a municipal water system.