

# 20220614 APPROVED Kingfield UAC WW Tour Notes

## Meeting Details

<b>Date</b>	06/14/2022	<b>Time</b>	4:15 PM - 5:45 PM
<b>Reference / Resources</b>	Meetings to be held on the third Thursday of the month at Webster Hall, 38 School Street.		

## Attendance

Name	Present	Absent	Name	Present	Absent
Bobby Brown	X		Suzanne Dunham	X	
Peter Manning	X		Niki Woodhouse (notes)	X	
Dan Davis	X		Travis Target, Kingfield Wastewater Superintendent	X	

## Agenda / Discussion Items

Topics
<p><u>Town Property Wastewater System Tour/Talk with Travis Targett</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● Travis has been with wastewater for about six years has been super for three years (yr round with different duties in the winter). Ronk is seasonal.</li> <li>● Approximately 404 water customers, and 170-ish waste water customers.</li> <li>● 76 beds total, 24 on the town property piece we were looking at. 16,000 and 8000 gallon tanks here plus a diverter plus pump stations</li> <li>● Because this is in the 100 year flood zone, it allowed for grant funding</li> <li>● Across the river             <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ Several get pumped up to behind Groovies</li> <li>○ Maple Street have their own combined beds, but some have their own private system. This is based on the plumbing inside the residence.</li> </ul> </li> <li>● There were several pump station upgrades, others eliminated through changes to internal systems or earthwork upgrades in support of gravity fed systems</li> <li>● Bobby asked if we're at capacity yet, or have room to add homes. Travis will need to run the numbers- things have changed over the years, including the requirements</li> <li>● Bobby asked about Keenan beds and photos and findings.             <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ Travis has a bunch and will get some more photos when the grass grows.                 <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>■ Bobby asked Travis to download all of the photos to a town resource.</li> </ul> </li> <li>○ DEP provided a report about the failure in advance of the work, the support of the grant funding.</li> <li>○ Travis thinks we might be able to get some sort of a report from the contractor about what they found.</li> </ul> </li> <li>● Bobby asked about the relationship between water and sewer. Water readings go to the sewer department AND if usage is over the customer user units then the customer gets an additional charge.</li> <li>● Bobby asked about any billing accommodations related to seasonal water usage increases (that doesn't end up in the sewer, like gardens, pools etc.). Not sure if this was answered, I don't have a note. )</li> </ul>

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- The crew reads meters every Wednesday, includes or tells how much the pump is running which can be a sign of a problem.
- The crew does annual “symptom” testing in July and August. (PVC pipes)
- The chambers are circa 1984, the infiltrators are circa 1990
- Bobby asked Travis what his biggest challenge is.
  - Travis says the time/people resources to keep up, including fixing the truck.
  - Bobby asked about system concerns, Travis said only the beds, everything else is good.
  - Trees being a possible problem. Sometimes the root system causes problems, but removing the roots without replacing the system at the same time could actually result in bigger issues because as the roots die they create holes. (Additional challenge - the town easement is only so large so they can't dictate tree removal to landowners.)
- Someone asked about materials in tanks that shouldn't be there (things that don't break down). The crew addresses it with the landowner as the issue arises.
- Peter asked about Poland Springs “gray water”.
  - Most of that money goes to the town, not the wastewater. \$70,000 per year, (minus \$5,500.00 to WWater) goes into the general fund.
  - Until recently, money has not been set aside for future maintenance of the Poland Spring system.
  - Now a small portion is going into reserve for bed maintenance
  - Any failures costing more than what is in the reserve will have to be paid by the town, not waste water budget.
- Pumping services
  - In the past the crew dewatered the material then took it up onto the Millay Hill Road field for composting.
  - Because of LD 1191, field spreading and composting is no longer allowed.
    - Kingfield is waiting for DEP to tell them what to do with the waste in the future. Now, after it is stabilized, they store it in the pole barn at Millay Hill to dry out.
- Someone asked about treating, and Travis's response was that options are too expensive and how we've been doing it seems to be working still.
- Next meeting is set for July 21 at 6 PM.
- Peter motioned we adjourned the tour/meeting, Susan Suzanne seconded, all in favor.

### Next Meeting

<b>Next Meeting Date:</b>	7/21/2022
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